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LONDON PROPOSALS NO ULTIMATUM

BRITAIN WOULD COMPROMISE

BUT HITLER MUST CO-OPERATE

BERLIN REPLY LIKELY TO BE SENT TO-DAY

London, March 23.

The proposals sent to Germany by the Locarno Powers, designed to surmount the crisis which has arisen by the unilateral denunciation of the Locarno and Versailles Pacts by Chancellor Adolf Hitler, were not intended as an ultimatum, declared Lord Halifax, Lord Privy Seal, speaking at Bristol to-day.

"We want no encirclement of Germany and no exclusive alliances, but a European partnership in which Germany will freely join."

"We have asked Germany a hard thing; but Germany had created conditions by which the stability of Europe was shaken and it was not too much to ask that Germany make a contribution of admitted difficulty," he said.

"I have read the press reports that Germany will not be able to accept at least one of the proposals addressed to her by the Locarno Powers, but as far as the British Government is concerned any serious counter-proposals would be received with the most careful and anxious consideration."—*Reuter*.

Leaving To-day

Berlin, Mar. 23.
Herr von Ribbentrop, the German chief delegate to the League of Nations Council conference in London, is returning to the British capital by plane on Tuesday.

This announcement indicates that Chancellor Adolf Hitler's consultations with his advisers are ending and that the German reply to the Locarno Powers' proposals for the safeguarding of the Western European peace, has been prepared and will be delivered in London by Herr von Ribbentrop.

To-night, Herr Hitler was still working on the details of his reply to the Locarno Powers.

But despite the water of rumour, not a single definite fact has leaked out with regard to Der Fuehrer's intentions.

Diplomatic circles adhere to the belief that his reply will likely be firm, but conciliatory.—*Reuter*.

Sanctity of Treaties

London, Mar. 23.
Questioned in the House of Commons on the European situation, the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, stated that in the course of his conversations with Herr von Ribbentrop he had emphasized the sanctity of the documents which had been communicated to him were in the nature of proposals.

"I made it clear His Majesty's Government hoped the German Government would be in a position to accept them, but in any event His Majesty's Government felt the German Government should assist them in their task by making some constructive contribution to improve the situation."

"On my instructions, His Majesty's Ambassador in Berlin used similar language in an interview with the German Minister for Foreign Affairs yesterday."

Mr. Eden added that no reply had yet been received from the German Government.

Answering another question, the Prime Minister said the maintenance of the principle of sanctity of treaties was the main objective of the British Government.—*British Wire*.

Peace Britain's Aim

London, Mar. 23.
Lord Halifax, who was one of the British delegates in the Four Power discussions both in Paris and London, deputed for Mr. Anthony Eden at a meeting at Bristol to-night. He expressed the opinion that it has been a single desire of the whole country in the recent crisis to use its full influence for the preservation of European peace, and to build this peace upon the only possible foundations, namely, respect for treaties freely made, and mutual understanding. That, he asserted, put in its (Continued on Page 5.)

EPIDEMICS FOLLOW FLOODS

FOURTEEN STATES MOBILISING

PROBLEM OF REFUGEES

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Washington, Mar. 23.
The health forces of fourteen states have mobilised all their resources to halt the incipient epidemics of typhoid, scarlet fever and pneumonia which are breaking out in communities of Maine and Kentucky in the wake of the disastrous floods which have already taken a toll of nearly 200 lives.

All but a few of the flooded rivers are receding from their destructive levels.

The present problem is to feed and house 200,000 refugees, who have lost everything in the floods, and to prevent the spread of disease.

The militia is enforcing quarantines in Connecticut and Pennsylvania. The sale of raw milk is forbidden in Pennsylvania and West Virginia flood areas.

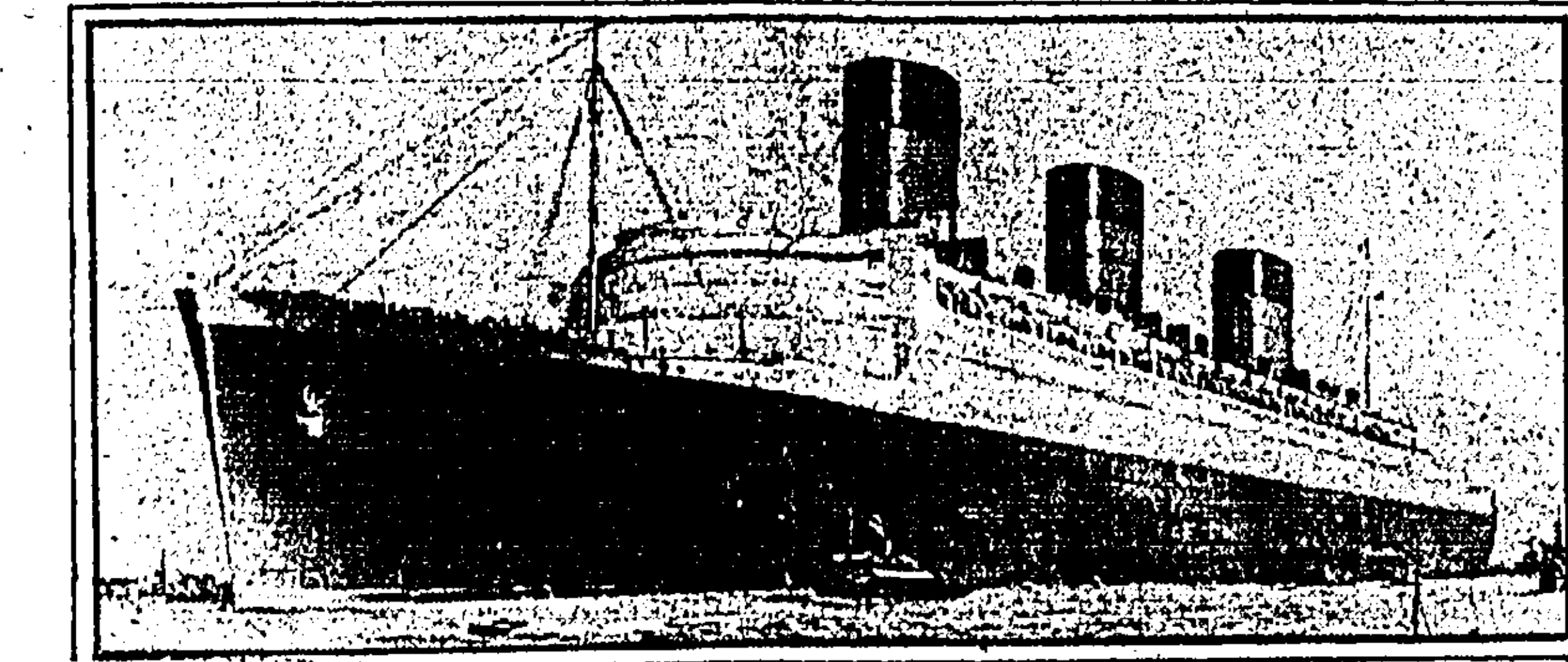
At Wheeling the restaurants have been forbidden to re-open, pending inspections.—*United Press*.

NEW ZEPPELIN'S FLIGHT

SOON TO LEAVE FOR RIO DE JANEIRO

Berlin, Mar. 23.
The new Zeppelin, Hindenburg, is to fly to Rio de Janeiro on March 30. The giant airship flew over Berlin to-day on a trial flight lasting five hours. She carried a hundred passengers.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

During the week-end one case each of Diphtheria and Typhoid were reported to the local Health authorities.



The giant British liner, Queen Mary, which is to leave her moorings on the Clyde for the first time to-day, proceeding down river for a distance of twenty-seven miles.

BANKS AID GERMANY'S SHIPPING

REORGANISATION OF BIG COMPANIES

LARGE DEBTS WRITTEN OFF

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Berlin, March 23.
Plans for the financial reorganisation of the North German Lloyd and Hamburg-Amerika shipping companies will be decided upon at extraordinary general meetings on April 23 and April 24, respectively.

The share capital of the North German Lloyd company will probably be reduced by 42,070,000 marks, and the sum written off with part of the reserve used to balance the company's loss. The capital will then be raised again 40,000,000 marks.

Similarly the capital of the Hamburg-Amerika line expected to be reduced from 67,500,000 marks to 12,010,000 marks, and then raised back to 40,370,000 marks.

It is believed the creditor banks have written off a considerable part of the capital which the companies owe them, to enable the carrying out of the proposed reorganisation.—*Reuter Special*.

Washington, Mar. 23.

The death occurred at the French Hospital at 2.30 this morning of Mrs. Polignac E. Egge, after an illness of about a month. She had resided in the Colony for fourteen years.

The deceased, who was 35 years of age, was the wife of Mr. W. Egge, manager of Messrs. Kunst and Albers, Peddler Building, for whom much sympathy will be felt.

The funeral takes place this afternoon, passing the Monument, Happy Valley, at 5.15 p.m. Prior to the interment a Russian Orthodox service will be held in the cemetery chapel.

CHARLIE IN BATAVIA

Batavia, Mar. 23.
Mr. Charles Chaplin and Miss Paulette Goddard, with Olga Goddard, arrived here from Singapore aboard the Australian mail plane to-day and will return to Singapore after a ten-day tour.—*United Press*.

FAMOUS ACTOR PASSES

MR. OSCAR ASHE'S NOTABLE CAREER

"CHU CHIN CHOW" AUTHOR

London, Mar. 23.

The death has occurred of Mr. Oscar Ashe, the noted actor-manager.—*Reuter*.

Oscar Ashe was born at Geelong, Victoria, Australia, in June, 1872, and was educated at Melbourne Grammar School. A Norwegian by descent he studied for the stage at Oslo (Christiania). His first appearance was made at the Opera Comique, London, in March, 1893, in "Man and Woman." He then joined the Bensons and was with them for eight years playing in Shakespeare and costume comedies. He next played Maldonado in "Fanny's Girl" at the Garrick and was seen at New York in that part in 1902. In that year he joined Beerbohm Tree at His Majesty's, appearing in Shakespeare and costume plays.

With Otto Stuart he took over the management of the Adelphi in 1904 and in the close of the year to and his wife Miss Lily Brayton whom he had met and married while with the Bensons, gave a Shakespearean season. In 1907 he moved to His Majesty's where he produced Binyon's "Attila" and Shakespeare.

FIRST EASTERN PLAY

In 1909 he toured in Australia. Returning to London in 1911, he appeared as Hamlet in "Kismet" the first of the Eastern plays which he put on, and it brought a profit of £20,000. In 1912-3 he again visited Australia and then South Africa. On his return in 1914 he revived "Kismet" and in September put on "Fanny's Girl" which he had adapted. His first appearance on the variety stage was at New-castle in 1915.

In August 1916, the run began of the spectacular Eastern musical play "Chu Chin Chow" written by himself in which he appeared as Abu Hassan. This piece cost £5,000 to produce, employed the world's record run of five years (2,238 performances) and was seen by nearly 3,000,000 people. The takings were over £750,000 and the net profit is said to have been about £200,000, while the film and musical rights were sold for £25,000.

Nevertheless a receiving order was made against him on May 23 1920, for the success which he scored with "Chu Chin Chow" did not attend his later ventures. In 1920 he put on "Mickey" and in 1921 "Calvo" but these had not the drawing power of their predecessor. Other plays in- (Continued on Page 5.)

AGREE TO REFUSE SANCTIONS

THREE-CORNERED AGREEMENT

SIGNED AT ROME

Rome, Mar. 23.

An agreement not to apply sanctions against Germany in the event of the League of Nations decreeing them, is believed to be one of the terms embodied in the pact between Italy, Austria and Hungary, which was signed to-day by the representatives of the three Governments meeting in Rome.

It is also understood that the Pact expresses the determination to maintain the independence of Austria and invites the adhesion of other powers to the agreement, apparently with the intention of enabling Austria to collaborate more closely with her neighbour, Czechoslovakia.

The economic side of the protocols express the determination of three countries concerned to increase trade to the mutual advantage of each.

The full terms of the pact will be published to-morrow.—*Reuter*.

VIRTUAL ALLIANCE

Rome, Mar. 23.
Italy, Austria and Hungary have signed a tri-power agreement which, it is understood, makes Italy the virtual guarantor of Austria's independence, regardless of what may happen and even in the event of a German attempt to dominate Austria. The agreement reaffirms and prolongs the engagements made by the three powers in 1934 and strengthens the political and economic relations to an extent which makes the treaty approximate to a system of mutual assistance. However, Hungary has declined to agree to aid Austria in the event of that country being attacked.

It is understood Italy promises to support Hungary's demand for revision of the World War treaties and territorial adjustment, at the projected European conference this summer.—*United Press*.

CANADA BANS HAGGIS

EXCEPT THAT FROM FRANCE

Ottawa, Mar. 23.
Scotsmen in Canada are perturbed by the announcement that the importation of haggis from Scotland is being banned, owing to the foot and mouth disease regulations.

One Scotsman was jokingly informed by a Government official that haggis manufactured in France could be imported.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

INDIAN VARSITY GRADUATES

OLD SCALE TO BE REVIVED

New Delhi, Mar. 23.
Lord Willingdon to-day received the honorary degree of Doctor of Law from the University of Allahabad. In a speech, the Viceroy stated that Government grants to the Universities of Allahabad, Benares and Allahabad, which had been restricted owing to the economic straits, would now be made in full.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

ETHIOPIANS URGE ARMED LEAGUE AID

FRESH APPEAL TO POWERS

PROTEST AGAINST USE OF POISON GAS

London, Mar. 23.

The Ethiopian Government has sent a second note to the League of Nations protesting against the use of poison gas by the Italian troops invading Ethiopian territory, and appeals to the League for immediate assistance.

The note states that for fifteen months Ethiopia has been appealing to the League for intervention in one way or another, but no answer has been given.

Now Ethiopia is again appealing, it goes on, under Article XVI of the League Covenant, which calls, first, for effective forms of sanctions, and second, for a combined League of Nations Army to come to the assistance of the beleaguered state, suffering at the hands of a nation which the League has declared to be an aggressor.—*Reuter Bulletin Service*.

BOMBERS ACTIVE

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Rome, Mar. 23.
Marshal Pietro Badoglio's communique, received from his field headquarters in Ethiopia to-day, does not mention the reported Ethiopian counter-attack on the northern front, which according to Addis Ababa reports, has met with pronounced success and is personally directed by the Emperor Haile Salassie.

The Italian communique claims that four Ethiopian aircraft have been destroyed in the last four days.

It asserts that the bombing attack on Jijiga, reported yesterday, resulted in the destruction of supplies, magazines and depots.

The organisation of the Italian Army's supply system continues as far as the most advanced line. A bridge 110 metres long over the Takazze River has been completed.

It is officially denied that Italian aeroplanes bombed a British ambulance at Jijiga.—*Reuter Special*.

JIJIGA CASUALTIES

Harrar, Mar. 23.

It is officially stated that fifteen persons were killed during the Italian bombing attack on Jijiga. Four of the 83 wounded have since died.

The wounded include several Arabs who are British subjects.—*Reuter Special*.

Queen Mary To Leave Clyde

GIANT NEW LINER'S FIRST JOURNEY

Glasgow, Mar. 23.

The giant liner, Queen Mary, will leave the Clyde to-morrow on a journey of twenty-seven miles down the river.

It is expected that the journey will take three hours, owing to the awkward bends in the river.


The gross tonnage of the liner was officially disclosed to-day for the first time as being 50,773 tons.

The French liner, Normandie, in consequence of recent structural additions is now stated to be 82,000 tons gross.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service*.

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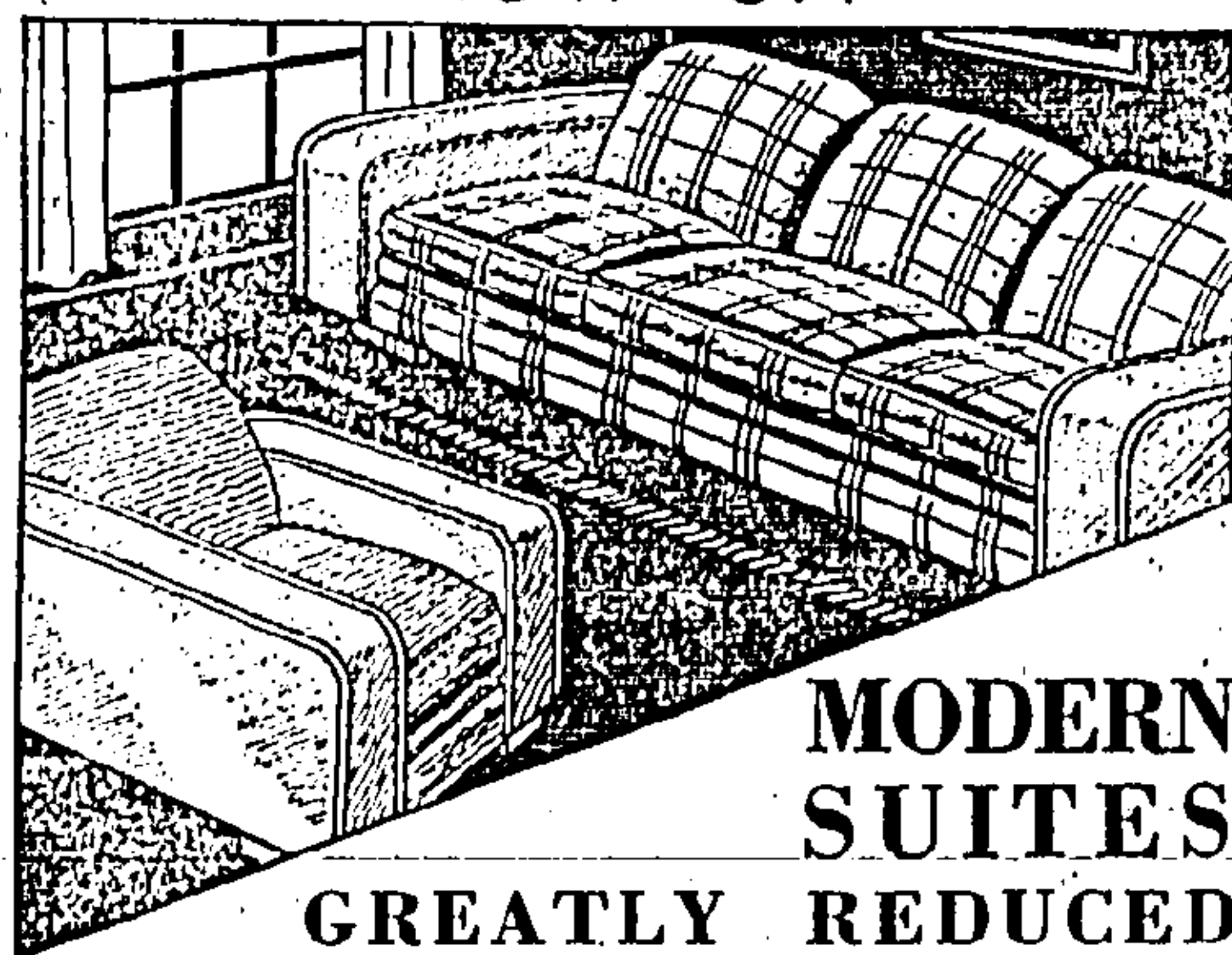
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RUSSIANS REFUSE TO GIVE UP RELIGION

CARNIVAL TIME IN NICE



The carnival season has begun at Nice. Picture shows some of the great dolls in the processions which pass through the streets.

MRS. KENNY LEADS IN "MATERNITY MARATHON"

Toronto, Mar. 15. Despite the fact her latest child died soon after birth, Mrs. Matthew Kenny is leading Toronto's "Maternity Sweepstakes" with a prize of US \$500,000 waiting for her in October.

The strange will of Charles Vance Millar, awarding \$500,000 to the Toronto woman who had the most children between October, 1926 and October, 1936, did not specify that the children must live. All that is required is that their births be registered.

The son born to Mrs. Kenny was her tenth child since October, 1926. She refused advice of physicians that she go to a hospital and remained in her small frame house here. The child weighed six and a half pounds at birth and apparently was healthy, but died about an hour after being born.

The birth put Mrs. Kenny once child ahead of Mrs. Grace Baginato, who has had nine children since 1926 and a total of 20 since she was married. Mrs. John Nagle, wife of an unemployed carpenter, also has had nine children since 1926, but there is doubt whether all of them were born in Toronto.

Millar's will specified that all of the children must be born in Toronto.

Mrs. Kenny is 32, and less than five feet tall. Married at the age of 16, the slender, delicate woman has had a total of 16 children. She was particularly saddened by the death of her latest son because she had intended naming him for Millar.

"I am sure we will win all that money anyway," she said.

Millar's friends and business associates believe he was playing a practical joke when he made a will offering a prize for a maternity race. The document was legal, however, and already the executors of his estate are converting bonds and other assets into cash in preparation for the pay-off.

The Maternity Sweepstakes wasn't the only idea Millar had. He earned a vast fortune in gold and silver mines and when he died in 1926 it was found his will had other provisions.

He willed brewery stock to every Protestant minister in Toronto; he

GODLESS LEADER'S GLOOM

40,000 VILLAGE CHURCHES

Moscow, Mar. 6. DESPITE years of effort on the part of the Godless Society, religion is still holding on in Russia.

Yaroslavsky, a veteran Bolshevik and president of the society, admitted this to-night at a meeting celebrating its tenth anniversary. About half of the population of the Soviet is still religious, he declared. Of the members of the collective farms 34 per cent., and a still larger percentage of the individual peasantry still cling to the old religious beliefs, he continued. Churches are still open in 40,000 villages.

"The young people are with us," he said, "but it is the older people we must win away from religion."

PARACHUTIST'S BOAST
Yaroslavsky called for a redoubled effort to uproot the last remnants of religion from the country.

Following his address, Bassilina, head of the women's division of the Young Communist League, declared, "My children will know God only as a word in the dictionary."

Nina Kaneva, a young blonde girl parachute jumper, who holds the world record for delayed jumps, declared, amid laughter, as she left the meeting, "I have flown high in the air, made many jumps, and I never saw any God or angels."

PRAYERS ON THE FARMS
The Hall of Columns, which was a nobleman's club in pre-revolution days, was crowded with 2,000 delegates from all parts of the Soviet Union, representing 6,000,000 members of the Godless Society, who, with ringing sound, promised to continue the drive to liquidate religion in the country.

The hall was decorated with anti-religious posters, including a huge photograph of Jewish members on the collective farms praying hard.

CHINESE SWORD IN WOUNDING CHARGE

A Chinese sword was produced at Old-street Police Court one day last month, when Harry Gold, aged 32, of Butler-street, Shore-ditch, was charged on remand with maliciously wounding Ernest Williams by striking him with the sword. He was charged further with being armed with a felonious weapon with intent to commit a felonious act.

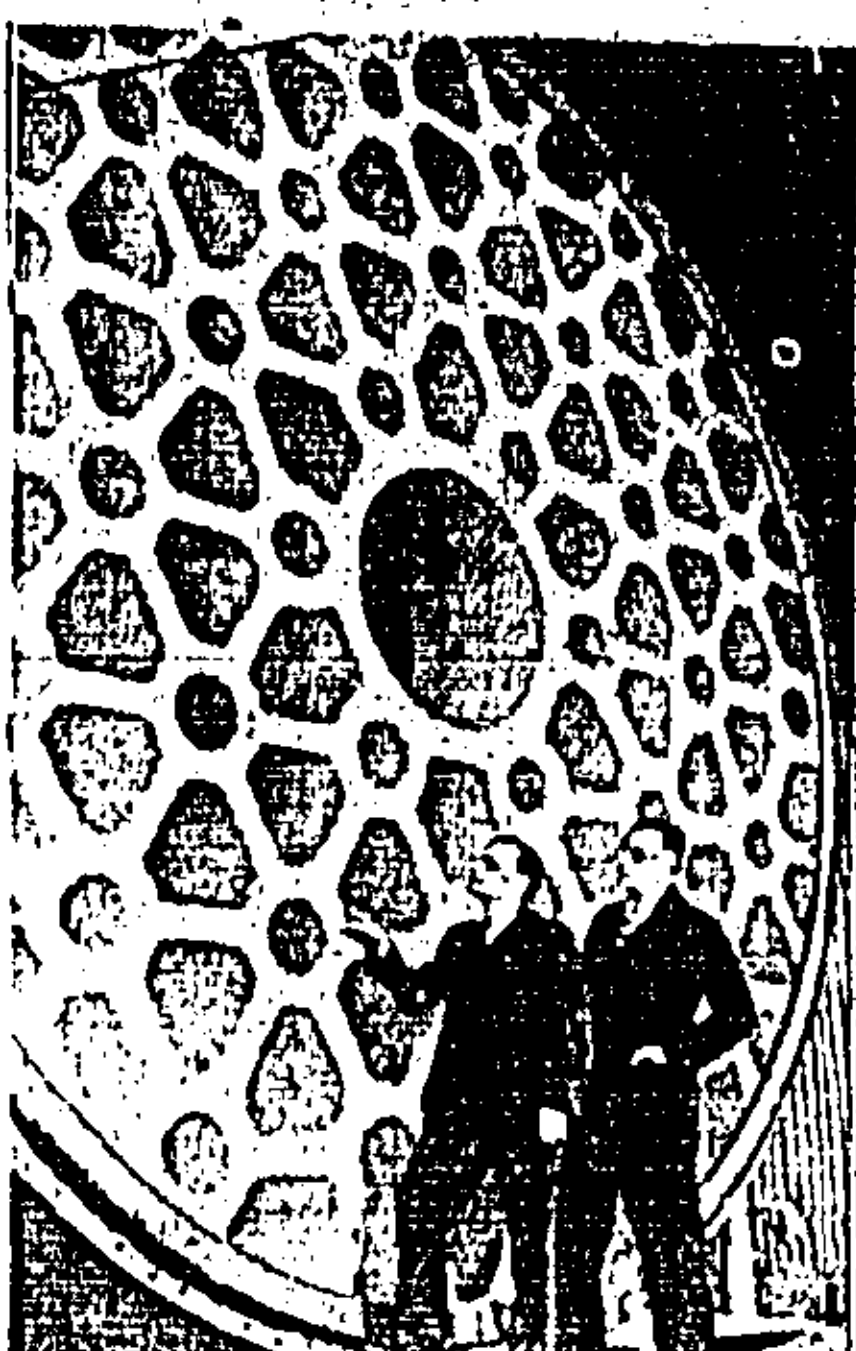
Both charges were dismissed, but Gold was bound over for 12 months to keep the peace.

A police-constable said that he saw Williams outside a public-house, pointing to Gold. He said: "This man has just wounded me with a sword."

When Gold was told he would be arrested, said the constable, he replied: "I had the sword to defend myself, as I thought they were going to do for me."

left shares in the Ontario Jockey Club to men who had emigrated against horse racing; Christian ministers in Walkerville, Sandwich and Windsor received stock in the Kenilworth Jockey Club; shares in O'Keefe's Brewery, long controlled by the Orange Lodge, an anti-Catholic organisation in Toronto.—United Press.

"EYE" FOR GIANT TELESCOPE



This telescope mirror has been shaped for the largest telescope in the world, on Mount Palomar, California. It is the largest piece of optical glass ever moulded and weighs 20 tons.

MYSTERY OF EASTER ISLAND SOLVED?

Honolulu, Mar. 16. The "mystery" of Easter Island's colossal statues and the origin of its inhabitants has been lifted through matter-of-fact archaeological research, according to the Pan-Pacific Press bureau.

Dr. Alfred Metraux, French ethnologist who recently joined the staff of Honolulu's Bishop Museum, pointed out that the large statues which have puzzled observers since the first white men visited Easter could have been moved into place by hand.

The statues, Dr. Metraux was quoted as saying, weigh only five or six tons, and could easily have been moved from their local quarries and set in place on the seashore by hand labour. Four hundred men could drag them with ropes of native weaving.

As to the population of the island, which often has been described as the remnant of the people of a "lost continent," Dr. Metraux advanced a theory of environmental modification of races common to the South Seas.

He suggested the Easter Islanders are related to the Maori of New Zealand and other Polynesians. According to his calculations, based on observation of variations in customs, he calculated they arrived on the island about the Twelfth century. Once established, he said, a lack of timber coupled with an abundance of soft rock, easily carved, modified their culture.

The Easter Island script on wooden tablets which has long interested scientists and aroused considerable speculation was described by Dr. Metraux as not a true written language, but more likely a memory aid to assist in reciting tribal sacred legends.

Dr. Metraux visited Easter Island last year as a representative of the Paris Museum of Ethnology, with an expedition aboard the Belgian training ship Mercator. He joined the Bishop Museum, he said, for the advantages it offered in studying archaeological and ethnological history of the Pacific.—United Press.

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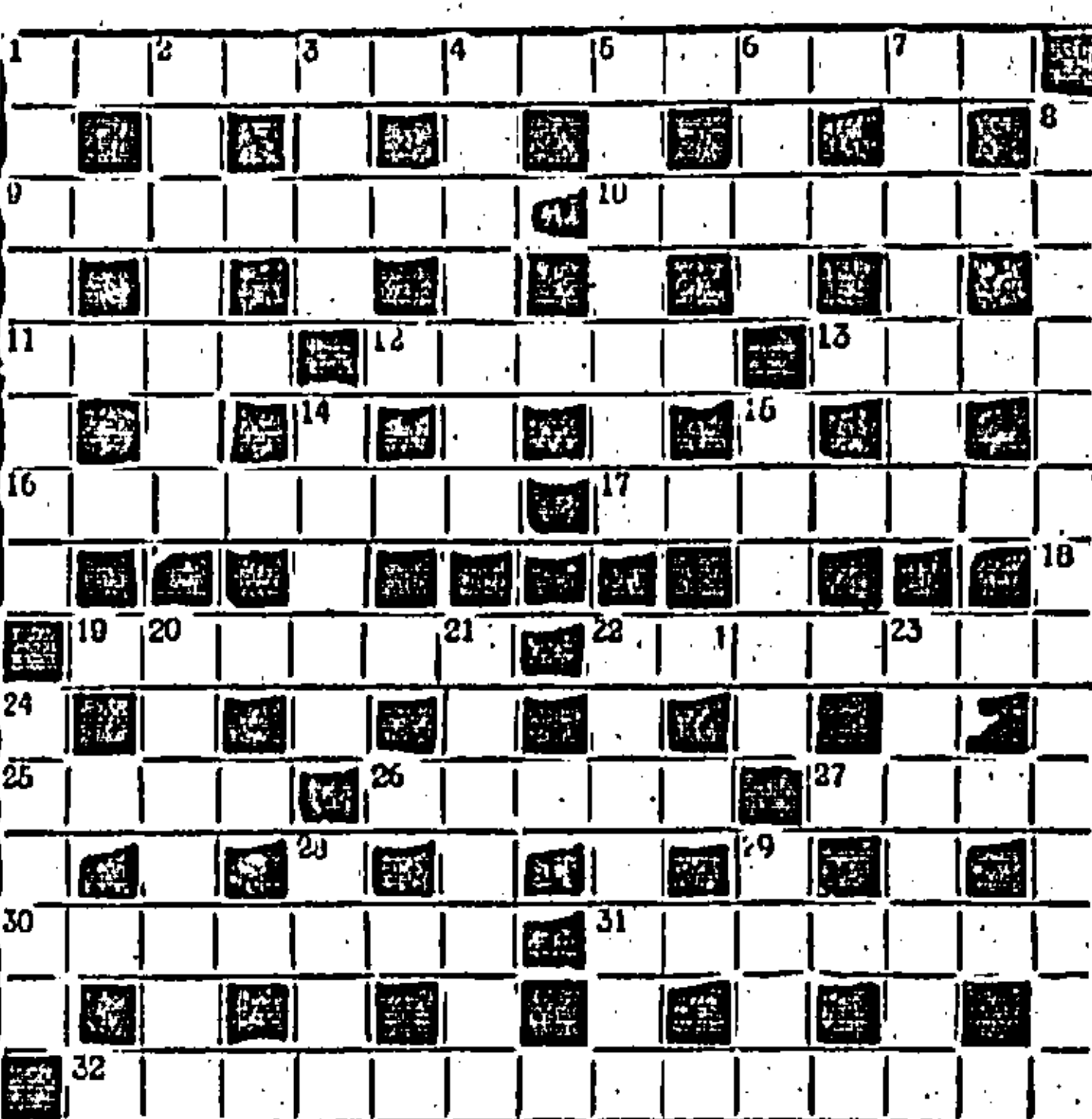
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- For leather, when in hurry.
- Why continue to impede the progress of the noble lord?
- Blow it! and the secret has been divulged.
- These trees have a very perceptible bend.
- This might describe a plate: or you might prefer a refusal.
- Container for breakfast food.
- A rising affair of which everyone is in favour.
- Wander free as air. Sounds capital, doesn't it?
- The fish that did, and made the whale wail.
- Channel swimmer.
- What a pity to see Highland John in drink!
- Cue it will be OK.
- Almost every word I write appears in books they compile!

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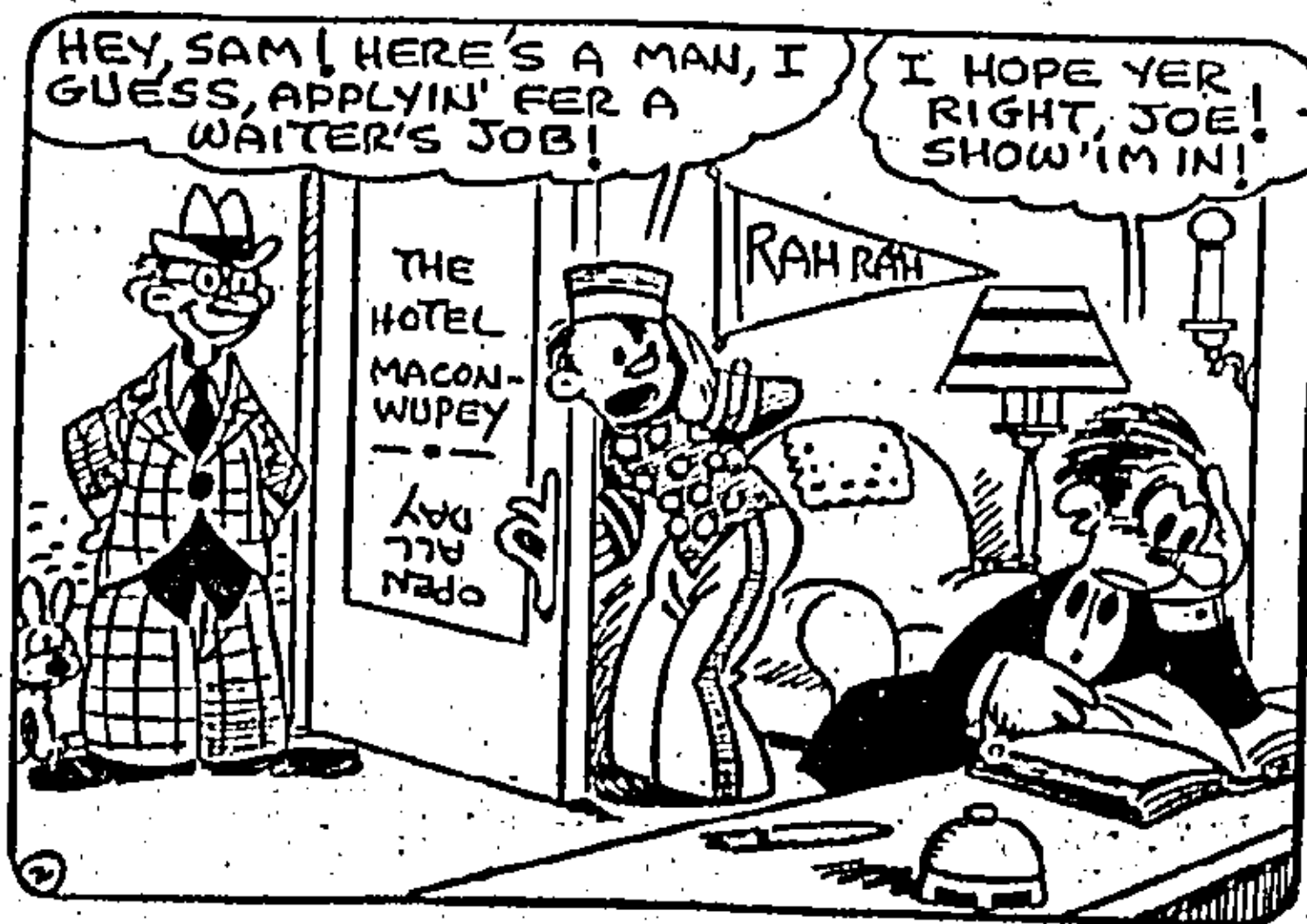
- Sounds a good description of Sir William's supper, however you regard it.
- One who will cramp your style—a dark man about middle-age.
- This sometimes begins its career as Private and ends as Major—but not often.
- Roman rulers of long ago.
- You'll need assistance about the old fiddler: this, of course, indicates pressure.

- If it should send you to sleep, it will give you something to put over you, anyway.
- Put in above a goddess in the United States.
- Cunning to get right behind in the boat, isn't it?
- This, comrade, puts an end to the game.
- Bell sound.
- A vulgar catch as is shown in the expedition of the younger Cyrus against Artaxerxes.
- Showing how the ungrateful one in 9 became stony.
- South Belgravia.
- Part of one's bedding.
- Work for all.
- May become a woman.
- The prefix of negation.
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London, Mar. 15.
British shipping companies are set to spend £30,000,000 in the next two years on a fleet of fifty luxury liners to span the trade routes of the British Empire.

These do not include the sister ship to the giant "Queen Mary" which the Cunard-White Star is already tentatively planning to build, and two or three smaller faster ships which are reportedly under consideration to maintain a subsidiary service to the Queen Mary.

The first of the new fleet—the 25,100-ton Union Castle streamlined luxurious Motor Liner "Stirling Castle", largest motor vessel ever built in British shipyards—has just sailed from Southampton on her maiden voyage to the Cape of Good Hope.

In the shipbuilding yards of the Clyde, where the Queen Mary was constructed, two steamers for the Bombay service and a fruit-carrying passenger motor ship for Jamaica are presently nearing construction. On the Tyne, a passenger and fruit-carrier motor ship and a similar vessel for South Africa are on the stocks. The 24,000-ton Orient passenger steamer "Orizaba" is also being built at Barrow-in-Furness.

Belfast, until recently one of the hardest hit of all shipbuilding centres in Great Britain, is constructing eight passenger vessels for Empire routes. These include the 25,000-ton Athlone Castle for the South African run of the Union Castle line; two passenger and cargo motor ships for the Union Castle's Round-Africa services of 15,000 tons apiece; an 11,000-ton motor ship for an Australian company; and a 10,000-ton cargo and passenger motor ship for the Lamport and Holt service. It is reported that the keels of other ships will also be laid in the near future.—United Press.

£10,000,000 ARMAMENTS ORDER

ROUMANIA'S CONTRACT WITH FRANCE

Paris, Mar. 6.
ROUMANIA has ordered armaments worth nearly £10,000,000 in France, according to a Bukarest message to the Agence Economique et Financiere explaining the Franco-Roumanian trade and financial agreement recently signed in Paris.

The principal aim of the treaty is to provide Roumania with sufficient francs to pay for the armaments, the interest on Roumanian loans issued on the Paris market, overdue instalments of commercial debts, and for other needs.

To facilitate transfer Roumania has consented to hand over to a French group for 12 years three-quarters of the State levy in kind on Roumanian petroleum. This guarantee is estimated to be worth from 90 to 100 million francs a year.

The contract for the sale of this levy has not yet been completed. It is to be signed in Bukarest before April 1.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The trade and financial agreements, which will come into force only when the contract has been signed, provides that if Roumania finds financial resources to cover her armaments order, she can pay for these in three years, and thus regain free possession of the ceded portion of the petroleum levy.

The French Government had granted Roumania a small increase in import quotas for maize, barley, and certain dried vegetables.

In addition, France undertakes to buy from Roumania a quantity of petrol for aviation.

There are also certain adjustments with regard to commercial payments. Cash payment for French goods are reduced from 50 to 45 per cent. of their value, and payment on sums overdue from 10 to 5 per cent. Foreign currencies at the free disposal of Roumania are increased from 40 to 50 per cent. Those various measures will procure another 20 to 22 million francs per annum.—Reuter.

WORLD'S BAGPIPE CHAMPION

Headmaster Sent To Prison

He Tells Judge Of Experiment At Hotel

A HEADMASTER was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment at the Old Bailey this month for offences concerning boys.

The man, Stanley Charles Beresford, aged forty-two, was formerly headmaster of St. Augustine's College, Walton-on-Thames, which he founded in September, 1934.

The school was closed last December. Beresford pleaded not guilty to charges concerning four boys.

Mr. Laurence Vine, prosecuting, said the charges could conveniently be divided into three groups, all referring to boys less than sixteen years of age.

The first three charges related to a boy of ten, who, according to the prosecution, was taken by Beresford in a car to an hotel at East Grinstead.

Beresford signed the register "The Hon. C. B. Beresford and son."

The second group referred to incidents which, it was alleged, occurred in the dormitory of the school itself.

The third group concerned a boy at an hotel at Westcliff-on-Sea.

Beresford, in the witness-box, declared that he took one of the boys to the hotel at Westcliff because he wanted to prove that he could take a poor boy of elementary education for about three months and completely alter his outlook on life.

"FREEDOM"

Of his school, he said: "I believed in giving boys freedom and establishing a friendly relationship between masters and boys."

Beresford was found guilty of offences at East Grinstead and Westcliff and not guilty of offences at the school.

Judge Dodson, passing sentence, said the jury had tried to give Beresford the benefit of any possible doubt.

"The offences of which you have been found guilty are most grave because they affect the youth, and the youth of to-day is the manhood of to-morrow, on whom the responsibilities of citizenship rest," said the judge.

"It adds to the gravity of the case that you were supposed to be the guardian and guide."



At the recent bagpipe championships of England and Scotland the girl shown above, Sheila McKey, was elected world's champion girl bagpipe player. She is showing a compatriot some of the 700 prizes she has won.

GIRL RENOUNCES STAGE FAME FOR FORTUNE

FILMS AND RADIO BANNED, TOO

"OLD FASHIONED FATHER'S" DEATHBED WISH

BEAUTIFUL 21-years-old Betty Steele, of Belmont, Surrey—given the choice by her dying father—has decided to share a £64,000 fortune rather than seek fame on the stage.

Her father's ban extends to films, broadcasting, and the making of gramophone records.

"I have no intention of going on the stage—absolutely none," Miss Steele said.

"At school I had an interest in amateur theatricals and appeared occasionally," she went on.

"But it was only a passing fancy; gone for ever now."

GIRLISH BOAST

But up to the time of his death, Mr. Charles R. Steele, senior partner of Francis Miller and Steele, old-established solicitors of Finsbury-square, E.C., remembered his daughter's girlish ambition. Her enthusiastic boast, four years ago—"One day I am going to be a great stage star"—worried him to the day of his death.

"Father was very old-fashioned in his views on these things," Miss Steele declared. "He wished to be sure that my early interest in the stage would not be revived."

One of Mr. Steele's last actions was to add this codicil to his will:

"Should she give, in public, any performance by way of acting, singing, dancing, playing any musical instrument or giving any performance with a

view to its being broadcast or reproduced by cinematograph or gramophone process, the life interest given to her shall cease and during the residue of her life the income of her share shall be paid to the British Home for Incurables, Putney."

Mr. A. Leslie Smith, partner in the firm of Francis Miller and Steele, stated that Betty's father "did not think it was suitable livelihood for her. The provisions of the will were legally enforceable."

The late Mr. Steele was 78 years of age when he died last January. He left the whole of his fortune to his four children.

CEMETERY CHAPEL AS "REVOLTING" HORROR

Dean Says It Is Only Fit for the Burial of an Ass

A REMARKABLE attack on the local cemetery chapel is made by the Dean of Bocking (Essex), the Very Rev. Edgar Rogers.

Writing in his magazine, he says:

"It has been, I confess, a surprise to me to find how rarely the bodies of the faithful departed are brought to church on the way to burial—used as I have been in other parishes to that most Christian custom. I grieve that it is not usual in Bocking, and I grieve the more because the cemetery chapel is wholly unsuitable for any Christian rite."

"It is ugly, devoid of any sort of Christian symbol or propriety which can suggest that glory of our faith—the Resurrection of the Dead. I say deliberately it is, in my opinion, an offence to any decent Christian feeling, an insult to the departed, a needless aggravation of any mourner's grief and utterly unworthy of any community which cares for the honour and glory of God."

"It might be, as so many cemetery chapels are throughout the country, a shrine of comfort and peace, where not only on the day of a burial the hearts of mourners might be uplifted and the dreadful sorrow of bereavement eased, but all day and every day a tender and sacred spot, where prayer and recollection could unite the living and the dead."

"As it is, in its hideous and revolting horror, it adds to suffering and offers no more reverence than we would give to the burial of an ass."

"It is utterly repellent and hateful. There is no need for such disgrace. The cost of making it decent would be infinitesimal—a halfpenny or a penny on the rates for one single half year would be

sufficient—a very little more would make it a holy place of beauty and comfort. The powers-that-be need not fear that such expenditure would expose them to criticism."

Undertakers' Charges

"Meanwhile, we urge that the bodies of Church people, reverencing as we do those bodies because, 'The Word was made flesh, should always be brought to church and the heathen chapel at the cemetery avoided."

"I am told that some undertakers charge more if the body is taken to church. Very well, as a practical matter, patronise those firms who don't, and let us all make a determined set against the sheer indecency of the present cemetery chapel."

Does Not Agree

Mr. C. J. Baker, chairman of the Braintree and Bocking Council cemetery committee, when told of the Dean's criticism, said:

"I do not wish to enter into any controversy with the Dean, but I certainly do not agree with him. I take the view that if there is any complaint to be made it should be made either to my committee or to the council."

"The chapel in question is an old building and dates back to the days of burial boards."

Mr. Rogers, who has been Dean of Bocking since 1931, said: "Complaint has already been made. The Bishop of Chelmsford raised the matter with the council two years ago, but nothing has been done."

HOLLYWOOD WEDDING

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Iron Lung Has Kept Him Alive

SAN FRANCISCO, Mar. 15.
ONE of the most remarkable scientific experiments of all time is drawing to an unsuccessful close in Alameda County Hospital, California.

In April 1934 eighteen-year-old Raymond Rambo, suffering from infantile paralysis, was given up for dead. In a last effort to prolong his life doctors placed him in an "iron lung."

For 690 days a clanking respirator has pumped life-giving breath into young Raymond's wasted body.

Now his strength is diminishing as a result of acute stomach cramps, and the doctors have little hope of further prolonging his artificial life.

Animal Goliath Conquered By A David

Denver, Colo., Mar. 10.
Posagawagme is dead.
And a David of the animal world is strutting around boasting of his conquest of a Goliath.

Frank C. Miller, owner of Trail's End ranch, 40 miles north of Fort Collins, Colo., on the Cache La Poudre river, told of the unexpected end of Posagawagme, better known as Poss, leader of the buffalo herd maintained on the huge ranch.

Poss won leadership of the herd in 1931, after years of apprenticeship, by killing Shorty, erstwhile chief.

Since that time Poss killed, in combat, three pretenders to the throne, two bull elk and two deer, besides an unknown number of smaller animals.

But recently Miller said he found Poss' body lying in the snow.

A postmortem examination was made and it was discovered that the "killer" had fallen victim to one of the most insignificant members of the animal kingdom, a porcupine.—United Press.

CHILDLESS WIFE'S TRAGIC DEVOTION

"Thought She Was A Drag"

Northwood Hills (Middlesex), Mar. 1.
A YOUNG Congregational minister from Birmingham told, in the West Middlesex coroner's court here today, a tragic story of his wife's devotion and her longing for children she could never have.

The Rev. Herbert Alfred Hamilton, now living at Uphill-Road, Mill Hill, described how four days ago he found his wife—fair haired, twenty-six-years old Mrs. Alice Winifred Hamilton, lying dead in front of a burning electric fire in an empty house in Joel-street, Northwood Hills, where for six months of last year they had lived together.

He said that soon after their marriage six years ago, his wife had an operation which prevented her from having children.

A few months later another operation had to be performed, and three years ago he left Birmingham and came to London to put his wife in the care of a Harley-street specialist. She had been in consultation with him ever since.

The mental strain on her was very severe," Mr. Hamilton explained. "She was very disappointed that she could not have children and also because she thought she was being a drag on me with her illness."

"We therefore adopted two children," he said. "She loved them very much indeed."

Charlie Gains A Gold Medal

New York, Mar. 15.
Charlie Chaplin has been awarded a gold medal by the League of Nations Cinema Committee in recognition of his activities as an international screen figure.

The committee, which represents fifty-three nations, voted the award unanimously. The secretary, notifying Mr. Chaplin, tells him he is "the greatest personality of the art of the cinema."—Reuter.

The coroner asked if Mrs. Hamilton had ever threatened to kill herself.

"She sometimes made threats of a theatrical kind when she was excited and feeling the need of me," Mr. Hamilton explained. "It was an inverted way of saying that she loved me."

Last September they separated—largely on the advice of the specialist. The inquest was adjourned for a month.

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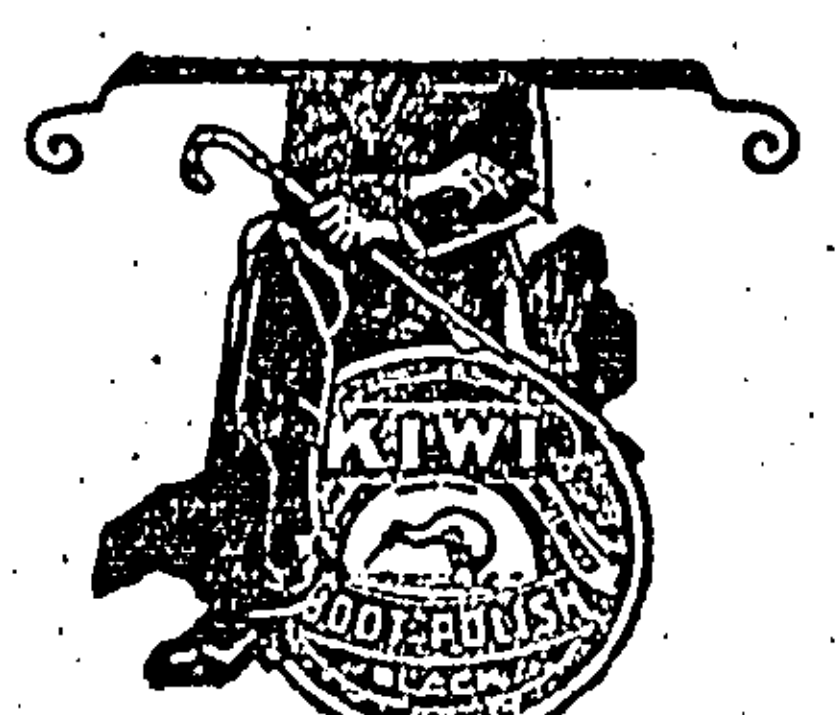
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NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Jacobean Room, 1st floor, Hong Kong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong on FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1935; Electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 17th MARCH, 1936, until FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1936.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders.

The Sixty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 27th March, 1936, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1935.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

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Notice to Shareholders.

The Thirty-first Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Wednesday, 8th April, 1936, at noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 28th March to 8th April, 1936, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO. LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1936.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixty-ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Offices of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 5th floor, on Monday, the 30th day of March, 1936, at 12 o'clock, noon, to receive the Directors' Report, and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And notice is further hereby given that the register and transfer-books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd to the 30th day of March, 1936, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1936.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 30th March, 1936, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to 30th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1936.

RADIO BROADCAST

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7.45 p.m. "Friedrich" (Gala Programme).
7.55 p.m. Musical Interlude.
8.00 p.m. The Lone Wayne Sextet.
8.10 p.m. Reading from "Lazarus" by George Bernard Shaw.
8.45 p.m. The Leicester Opera House Orchestra.
9 p.m. The News.
9.15 p.m. The Manchester Tuesday Midday Society's Concert.
9.45 p.m. Close down.
Transmission 3
(G.S.G., G.S.E.)
10 p.m. The Birmingham Theatre Royal Orchestra.
10.30 p.m. Talk "Fogon Affairs" by Sir Frederick White, K.C.S.I., G.C.B.
10.45 p.m. Musical Interlude.
11 p.m. The Morris Stanley Sextet.
11.30 p.m. "Reading from 'Lazarus' by George Bernard Shaw for anybody and everybody with young Miss A. Gledhill (Violoncello).
Greenwich Time Signal at 12.30 a.m.
12.35 a.m. Light Songs.
1 a.m. Close down.

The R.A.O.C. Association will hold a fancy dress dance at the China Fleet Club Theatre on Monday, March 30, dancing being from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. The Dance Band of the 2nd Bn. East Lancashire Regiment will be in attendance. Tickets—Single \$1 and double \$1.50. Late launch for Kowloon and Shamshuipo at 1 a.m.

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CINEMA NOTES

With a burning ambition to become a great dramatic actress, June Lang, who has the leading role in "Every Saturday Night," the new and hilarious Fox comedy-drama of a typical American family, coming on Thursday to the King's Theatre, has made rapid strides towards her goal in a very short space of time. Miss Lang, one of Hollywood's youngest stars, is considered one of the best groomed young women on the screen. Her brown hair and blue eyes, coupled with her fresh beauty, cause her to stand out from the crowd. Shortly after her birth, her parents left Minneapolis and migrated to Hollywood. Here she completed her education and started the training that she believes will eventually lead her to the realization of her ambition. This ambition is no mere dream with Miss Lang, and she conscientiously nurtures it with constant study and practice of piano and dancing. Miss Lang made her professional debut in a stage production of "Temptations of 1930". Shortly after, while dancing at the Grapewin Theatre, she was discovered by a screen test at 20th Century Fox, and subsequently placed in the studio training school. Her desire to get ahead combined with her amazing ability and talent was soon recognized and the resources of the studio were put behind her. From a minor role in "Young Sinners," she soon graduated to ingenue roles in "Chandu the Magician," "The Man Who Dared," "I Loved You Wednesday" and "Music in the Air." In her latest picture, "Every Saturday Night," Miss Lang enacts the role of the eldest daughter of a happy, scrappy family composed of a big brood of step-on-the-gas-kids who make life lively for a horse and buggy dad. Appearing in the cast with June Lang are Thomas Beck, Jed Prouty and Spring Byington.

The drama of a condemned man who escapes and spends his short hours of freedom to get the man who sent him to jail is the main plot of Paramount's "Four Hours to Kill." Starring Richard Barthelmess, coming at the Queen's Theatre to-morrow. Adapted from the current season's hit play "Small Miracle," the picture shows how the lives and tragedies of an audience in a theatre are bound with the fate of an escaped convict. A clock room boy has stolen money to support his mother. Her mother plans to run away with her sweetheart, young lovers hold a secret rendezvous. All these people are in the theatre, and all their problems find some solution when Barthelmess lures his victim to the theatre. Before the advent of the picture, he thought him down, then falls before a police revolver himself. Joe Morrison, Helen Mack, Gertrude Michael, Dorothy Tree and Ray Milland are cast in the supporting roles.

"Travelling Saleslady," one of the freshest and most original of the season will be shown at the Queen's Theatre on Wednesday and Thursday with Joan Blondell heading the all-star cast. Women are especially delighted with the picture, for it shows how a young girl with initiative and personality gets the better of her male rivals in the business world. Her story is delightfully breezy and whimsical, with hilarious situations and a most unusual climax. The dialogue is snappy and the action swift moving from start to finish. Joan Blondell, in the title role, is as slim and beautiful and as full of pep and ginger as ever. Her acting is snappy and full of nerve and she handles every situation with skill and artistry. William Gargan plays opposite Miss Blondell. Glenda Farrell appears on the scene as the jealous rival of Miss Blondell. Hugh Herbert has never been funnier than as the inebriated inventor of a toothpaste with cocktail. Grant Mitchell does excellent work as the conservative tooth-paste manufacturer who thinks that women know nothing about business and Al Shean, formerly of Gallagher and Shean, plays the role of the up-to-date manufacturer, with great humour and skill.

"Public Hero Number 1," Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer's amazing thriller of the work of the secret service, now playing at the Star Theatre. Directed by J. Walter Ruben from a story by himself and Wells Root, it is a thrilling and engrossing cross-section of the work of government operatives, replete with thrills, enriched with a romance and lightened by many comedy interludes. Lionel Barrymore plays the principal character role, in which he demonstrates an amazing facility for comedy along with drama as the bumbling Dr. Glass, physician-in-ordinary to the cohorts of the underworld. Chester Morris gives what is probably the finest performance of his entire career as the adventurous Jeff Crane, who exposes himself to all sorts of dangers in getting out of perilous close quarters. Also outstanding is the gangster portrayal of Joseph Calleia, who created such a personal hit in the "Small Miracle," and who gives over the evidence of being in great demand for picture roles.

"Mary Burns, Fugitive," the latest Paramount thriller drama, starring Sylvia Sydney, is now at the Queen's Theatre. Miss Sydney is seen as a girl hunted by the law, a victim of circumstantial evidence. Unaware that her sweetheart, a former football hero, Alan Baxter, has turned public enemy, Miss Sydney is sentenced to a long prison term because of her innocent association with him. She makes a successful jail break with a friend and cell mate, Port Kelson, unaware that Miss Kelson has been put on her trail by G. Men who hope she will reveal the hideout of Baxter, still at large. Miss Sydney gets a job in a hospital and meets Melvyn Douglas, a famous but temporarily blind, scientist. However, Baxter madly in love with her, puts his gang on her trail and she is forced to flee. Hunted equally by the law and the underworld, she seeks refuge in Douglas' home. Promising to give herself up, the two are about to be married when Baxter, in relentless pursuit, appears and threatens to kill Douglas. A thrilling, dramatic climax brings the film to a crashing finale. William K. Howard directed.

"Whispering Smith Speaks" "Like father, like son" must apply to writing, too, when the career of Gilbert Wright, scenarist who helped to adapt the George O'Brien picture, "Whispering Smith Speaks," which comes on Wednesday to the Alhambra Theatre, is considered. Wright is the son of the famous author, Harold Bell Wright, and like his father is specialising in clean, virile stories of America. Irene Ware, Kenneth Thomson, Vic Patel and Spencer Charters fill the important featured roles in "Whispering Smith Speaks," which was directed by David Howard. The picture, adapted from the story by Frank H. Spedden, is a red-blooded, vigorous tale of railroading adventure.



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Saloon	Houtman	March 25
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Shanghai	Scharnhorst	March 25
Japan	Taina	March 25
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan				
and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 7th March)				
Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Canada	March 27
Japan and Shanghai	Fushimi Maru	March 27
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco, 28th Feb.)				
Shanghai	General Sherman	March 27
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Shanghai	Emp. of Britain	Tues, Mar. 24, 5 p.m.
Manila	Texas	Tues, Mar. 24, 5 p.m.
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Japan	Yuen-sang	Tues, Mar. 24, 5 p.m.
Wednesday		
Foochow via Swatow	Nanning	Wed, Mar. 25, 8.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and	Ajax	Wed, Mar. 25, 8.30 a.m.
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Emp. of Canada		
Shanghai and Japan	Hakusan Maru	Fri, Mar. 27, 3.30 p.m.
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Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A.,		
Central and South America and		
*Europe via Victoria B.C., and		
*Europe via Siberia		
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via Marselles,	Parcels	
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Reg.,	Mar. 27, 4.30 p.m.	Reg.,
Letters,	Mar. 27, 4.30 p.m.	Letters,
Saturday		
Straits, Ceylon, India, East and Somal		Sat, Mar. 28, 8.30 a.m.
South Africa, Aden, Egypt and		
Europe via Marselles		
(Due Marselles, 28th April)		
Reg.,	Mar. 27, 1 p.m.	Reg.,
Letters,	Mar. 27, 4.30 p.m.	Letters,
Amoy,	Mar. 27, 4.30 p.m.	Letters,
Manila, Straits, Ceylon, India, East		
and South Africa, Aden, Egypt		
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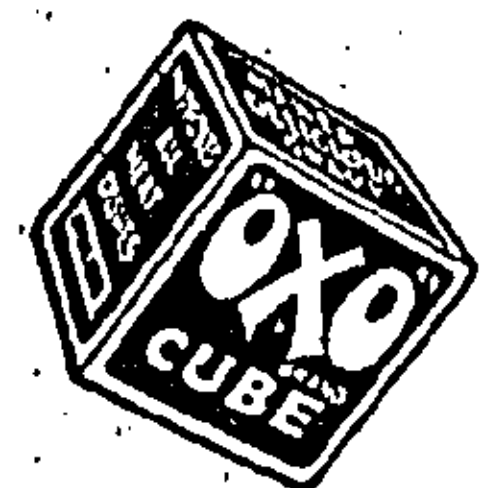
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simplest terms, the very essence of British foreign policy. Referring to the German case, the League Council by Herr Von Ribbentrop's words, "there was much in it that would command sympathy in many quarters, but whatever sympathy Englishmen might have with the broad outlines of the German case, their constructive respect for law would always make them condemn action taken in direct violation of it."

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He went on to express understanding of and sympathy with the depth of feelings of anxiety and resentment aroused in Belgium and France by the German action in the demilitarized zone. If, as he believed, the first danger was passed, it was due on the one hand to the restraint of France and Belgium, and on the other, to the untiring efforts of the British Foreign Secretary to secure a better understanding between Germany and Belgium and France, which had resulted in the proposals now before the world. They were not to be regarded as an ultimatum for Germany to accept, but if they were found acceptable by the German Government, in any respect, they would be entitled to ask that the German Government should advance other proposals, not less effective, constituting a real contribution by Germany to the cause of settlement which might rank with the contribution of restraint made by Belgium and France and the contribution to security made by the British Government.

The British declaration of complete adherence to the obligations of the Treaty of Locarno, and agreement to practical discussions with Belgium and France in advance of the means by which and might be lent to them in case of unprovoked aggression, had been, he believed a real contribution to the creation of an atmosphere in which discussion could take place and peace be established.—British Wireless.

FAMOUS ACTOR PASSES

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cluding "The Royal Visitor" and "The Good Old Boys" were failures. At a creditors' meeting on June 25, 1923, his liabilities were estimated at £3,000 and he placed his assets at £20,000 mainly due from Australia and America in respect of various productions. The actor, who was running a farm at Nailsworth, admitted that he usually carried £2,000 about with him.

Asche was part-author of "Count Hannibal" author of "The Spanish Main" "Eastward Ho!" (with Dornford Yates, 1919) and "Mecca" (1917) he produced "The Maid of the Mountains" and "The Southern Maid" both at Daly's. In 1926 with Marie Lohr he appeared in "Big Business" the first non-costume drama in which he had played since "Iris".

NO LOAN TO GERMANY

London, Mar. 23. In the course of a Commons reply, the Financial Secretary to the Treasury stated that no credit or loan to the German Government or German Banks by the British Government or the Bank of England was in negotiation or contemplation.—British Wireless.

Last night's Whist Drive at the European Y.M.C.A. was a record for this year, one hundred and twenty-four people sitting down to play in the West Lounge. The prizes, which were presented by Mrs. Friday, were won by the under-mentioned players: Ladies' First, Mrs. Spradbery; Ladies' Second, Mrs. Jordan; Ladies' Lowest Score, Mrs. Bowler; Gent's First, Mr. Hamman; Gent's Second, Mr. Jackson; Gent's Lowest Score, Mr. Pollard. A knock-out whist drive in which eighty persons took part concluded the evening's play and was won by Mr. and Mrs. Goodfellow.

COLONIAL SERVICE

NEW ASST. CROWN SOLICITOR FOR HONGKONG

Among the recent appointments notified by the Colonial Office is that of J. P. Murphy to be Assistant Crown Solicitor, Hongkong. This is a first appointment to the Colonial service.

It is also notified that Mr. C. H. G. Bradley, Assistant Auditor, Hongkong, is appointed Assistant Auditor, Uganda. Mr. Bradley entered the Colonial Audit Department, London, in June, 1925, and was appointed to Hongkong the following September, arriving here in October that year. Promotions gazetted in the Colonial Office list include Mr. W. L. Handyside, Acting Headmaster, King's College, to be Senior Master, Education Department, and Mr. J. Ralston, Senior Master, to be Junior Inspector of English Schools, Hongkong.

CORRESPONDENCE

Civil Servants' Salaries

(To The Editor, Hongkong Telegraph)

Sir,—In the last Budget debate and in the various reports of the Retrenchment Committee and Salaries Commission one salient point was apparently overlooked and that is:

The principle of paying all salaries and expenses in the same currency as the revenue of the Colony is collected.

The salaries of all officers or Civil Servants whether recruited in England or locally should be fixed and paid in Hongkong Currency thereby eliminating the danger of speculation in exchange and unbalanced budgets occasionally.

The Colony's finances should not be subjected to the vagaries and fluctuations of exchange. Nothing could be more illuminating and convincing than the following broad facts. During the last 50 years the highest rate of exchange was quoted in 1920 at 6/2 and the lowest rate was quoted in 1931 at 10/4d. per dollar. The difficulty of balancing the Colony's budget under such conditions is quite obvious and requires no explanation.

In the course of his pertinent remarks, Mr. Lo brought to the notice of the public that 60% of the Colony's revenue goes to the salaries based at 1s. 8d. What would be left of the total revenue should the rate of exchange drop to 1 shilling per dollar?

The Salaries Commission appointed on the 19th, October, 1928, considered that the salaries of officers, ordinarily recruited in England, should continue to be quoted in sterling while an officer in leave in England or other country having a gold standard.

Things have changed since, and England is off the gold standard. It would be preferable to abstain from indulging in long-drawn arguments causing tedious reading, as the value of such a letter lies in its brevity.

This is a mere suggestion apart from any recommendation for the reduction of sterling paid officers without impairing the high efficiency of the Administration.

The Colony should also look to the future by making provision for some unforeseen expenses, such as its defence, etc.

AN OLD RESIDENT.

FASCIST STATE

DUCE'S GRANDIOSE SCHEME

Rome, March 23. Signor Mussolini in a speech to 800 delegates representing 22 fascist corporations said that the inauguration of an ideal Government—the 20th Century Fascist Corporate State—depends on the successful conclusion of the Italo-Ethiopia campaign and the development of the European situation.

The Camera Del Fasci E Delle Corporazioni—Chamber of Fascists and Corporations—will replace the present Chamber of Deputies. It will include representatives of the 22 corporations, and delegates of workers, employers, agriculture, credit, commerce, professions, arts and legislative experts. Simultaneously he announced the nationalisation of industries supplying defence needs in order to prevent profiteering. He said that the Fascist Council will work out the details of the new system.—United Press.

Fascist or Communist

Rome, March 23. The virtual nationalisation of the great industries is necessary in defence of the nation, announced Signor Benito Mussolini to-day in announcing Italy's new economic policy at the national Assembly of Fascist Corporations.—Reuter.

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T.T. Shanghai	1/4
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T.T. India	1/4
T.T. Frisco & New York	1/4
T.T. Java	1/4
T.T. Manila	1/4
T.T. Bangkok	1/4
T.T. Saigon	1/4
T.T. Lisbon	1/4
Buying	
4 m/s. L/C	1/4 1/4
4 b/s. D/P	1/4 1/4
6 m/s. L/C	1/4 1/4
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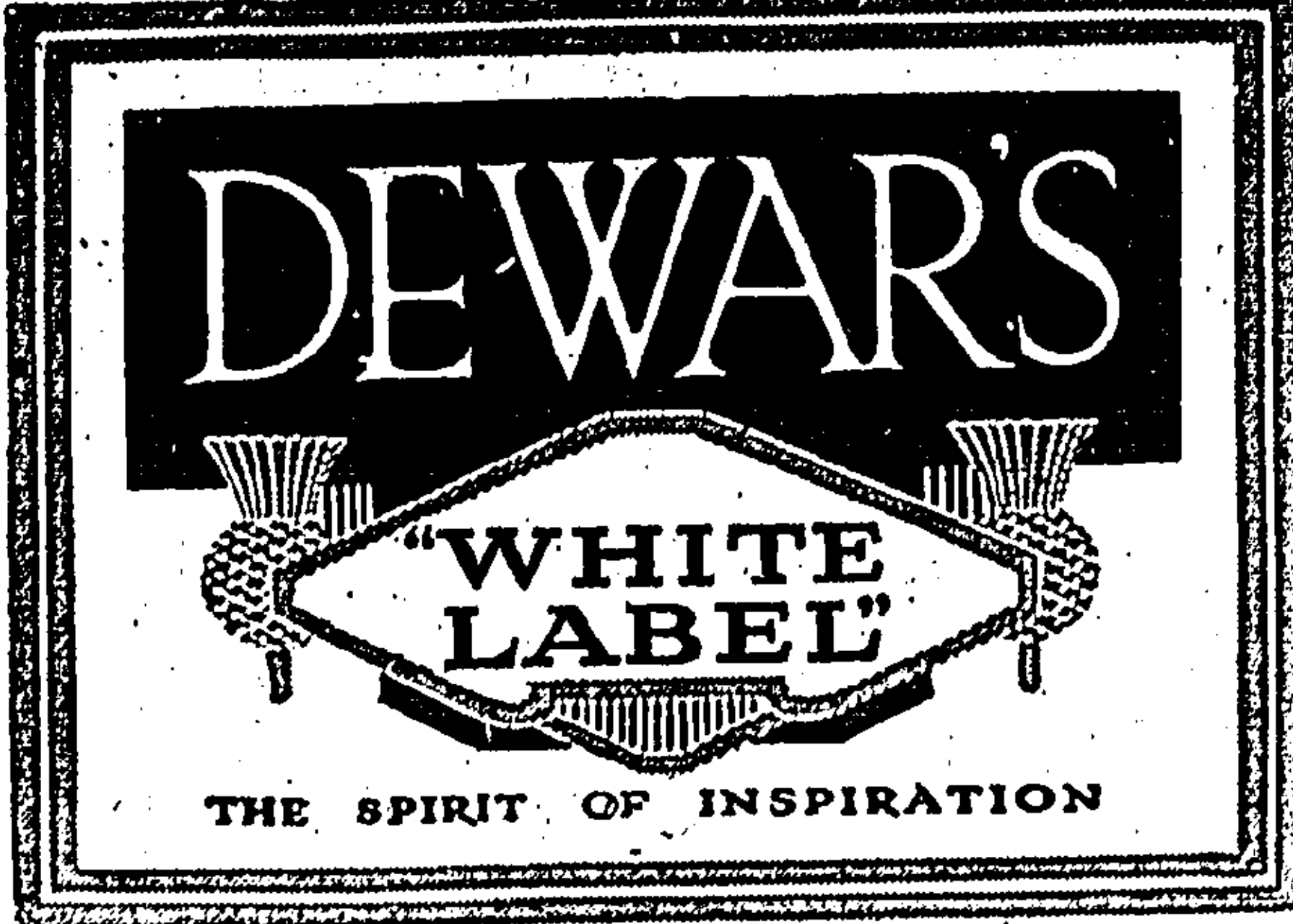
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DEATH.

EGGE.—Passed away at the French
Hospital, on 24th March, 1936,
Pelagie E. Egge, beloved wife of
W. Egge. Funeral will pass the
monument at 5.15 p.m. to-day.

**The
Hongkong Telegraph.**

TUESDAY, MAR. 24, 1936.

IS THE COLONY LIGHTLY TAXED?

A favourite argument by Government spokesmen that Hongkong is a lightly-taxed Colony was again heard during the debate on administrative costs in the Legislative Council on Thursday. In support of the theory, figures were cited comparing taxation here with the standards prevailing in Singapore and at Home. On the former point, it was shown that the assessed tax in Singapore is on a basis of 24 per cent., as against 17 per cent. in Hongkong. But before any safe deductions can be drawn from these figures it would be essential to know how property values compare between Singapore and Hongkong—in other words, whether rental standards are approximately the same, inasmuch as the assessed tax is based on rents. Until this point is cleared up, there is not much utility in comparing assessed tax percentages. So far as the respective positions between the United Kingdom and Hongkong are concerned, it would appear idle to make comparisons, for the simple reason that the conditions existing in the two places are in no sense similar. The standard of living of the majority of the people there bear no relation to that of the average taxpayer here in Hongkong. Admittedly, it would not be difficult to show that specific sections of the Colony's community get off relatively lightly in the matter of taxation. The well-to-do and the very poor, the last-named of whom either pay no regular rent or are accommodated in bed-spaces or cubicles, are not unduly taxed. Equally, Government servants and others who enjoy free quarters, or house allowances get off lightly. But between these groups there is a big section of the community which finds it hard to meet the burden of taxation. In this connection, we have to bear in mind the overcrowded labour market, which has a direct bearing on this matter of taxation. If rents go up, carrying enhanced taxation, the worker cannot expect to get recompense in the way of higher wages; he is at the mercy of the landlord in such circumstances. There are many other aspects of the question which could be cited to show the danger of making comparisons with other centres where the conditions are dissimilar. Generally speaking, however, it must surely be realised by the Government that the present is no time in which to contemplate any addition to the existing scale of taxation. The community as a whole, therefore, sincerely trusts that the official submission that we

TROUBLED RHINE WATERS.

THE Rhineland is Germany's western province, which the French in their hour of might sought, and failed, to carve out of the Reich; from which they thought to have removed the sting by the demilitarisation clauses of the Treaty of Versailles, incorporated in the Locarno protocols; and on which they now turn a gaze of growing and tragic anxiety.

In the Rhineland the French and German general staffs do not see merely a pleasant and wealthy tract of Europe. They do not hear

*the good Rhine flowing
In the heart of all Allemagne.*
They see it as a vital strategic factor in a battle still unfought.

To the French generals, the west, or left, bank of the Rhine is simply a base of concentration for a German attack on France. Germany has a foot on the French side of the ditch, a stronghold within the defences which nature designed for the protection of France.

The Germans point out that some millions of indubitable German subjects dwell on the wrong side of this "natural frontier."

A fortnight after the Armistice Marshal Foch presented a demand for the separation from Germany of the entire left bank of the Rhine, coupled with a permanent occupation by French troops of the bridge-heads on the right bank.

When Foch's plan was rejected, the French sought the same end by other means. Clemenceau believed that the Treaty of Versailles gave him what he wanted.

"In fifteen years," he told Poincaré, "Germany will not have fulfilled the clauses of the treaty. If you will do me the honour to visit my grave, you will be able to tell me. We stand on the Rhine and we remain on the Rhine."

NOTES OF THE DAY

COLONY DEFENCES

It is interesting to discover that Hongkong's defence forces are a match for a fair-sized enemy force which might attempt to take the Island by landing troops without preliminary bombardment on a large scale, and that even should such a force of invaders gain the beaches and the more rugged interior country, they could be driven back into the sea by the fierce counter-attacks of the reserves (including the Volunteers) and such of those who survived the first struggle on the beaches. It is gratifying to know that the Colony's defence forces are efficient, well-organised and keen on the job, and that in the face of an ordinary attack from the sea, with naval artillery fire supporting the landing parties, they can give a good account of themselves. However, the official reports of lessons learned in the recent manoeuvres give us no room for complacency. It appears that, in the event of a sustained, and "ferocious" attack by enemy aircraft, Hongkong would suffer severely; that where this aerial offensive maintained long enough the ultimate assault from the sea might find the defenders sadly depleted and their resistance much weakened. We are therefore pushed to the conclusion that anti-aircraft defence is the vital spot in Hongkong's armour, and that any weakness in this direction must be remedied before we are in a position to defend ourselves with real hope of success. For it is most improbable that in any attempted invasion of Hongkong aircraft would not play a major part. In this connection let it be noted that Singapore has taken steps to augment its volunteer anti-aircraft defence force materially. We suggest there is material among the men of this Colony for the organisation of a similar body, a complementary unit of men to be trained to work with the Royal Air Force in garrison.

have not reached the limit of taxation does not imply any intention of adding to the present burden. Any such move would meet with instant condemnation. The remedy for the Colony's present plight obviously lies in the direction of reducing expenditure, not in seeking means for the raising of more revenue.



"... the good Rhine flowing"

By **George Malcolm Thomson**

But this French complacency reigned in Germany and the morale of the people was at a low ebb, a second and more dangerous separatist attempt was launched. This time the French had prepared the ground for their separatist friends. Propaganda had been busy among the Rhineland people. They were "Celts, like us," French newspapers, magazines, and soup kitchens stressed the contrast of a distracted Germany and a strong, friendly France.

Besides, there was the tempting bait of escape from reparations payments. IN the autumn of 1923, when German resistance on the Ruhr had collapsed, the Separatists launched their "putsch." Their leaders were Matthes, who had at one time run a Communist paper at Frankfurt, a German named Deckers, who commanded in Aix, Dr. Dörten, and a picturesque adventurer who was called Captain Parsival.

The rank and file, as usual in such adventures, consisted partly of ruffians and partly of honest men. The red, white and green tricolour of the Rhineland was resurrected from the museums where it had lain since the days of the French Revolution and hoisted by the Separatist storm troops in Wiesbaden, Crefeld, Aix and Coblenz.

But in 1923, while the frightful, silent struggle in the Ruhr went on, while financial chaos

But from the first it was evident that French propaganda and French bribes had failed to win over the Rhinish population. After a few weeks' precarious existence, the Rhineland republic collapsed, to the savage joy of the local inhabitants, who, at Pirmasens, set fire to the building in which the Separatists had taken refuge. France's second attempt to solve the military problem of the Rhineland had failed.

THE third was Locarno. From the point of view of the French general staff this was a compromise. It involved a free acceptance by the German Government of the permanent demilitarisation of the left bank of the river and of a strip 30 miles wide on the right bank.

On the other hand, it envisaged an early withdrawal of the French garrisons. But this was compensated for by the guarantee by Britain and Italy of France's frontier against unprovoked attack. It seemed that at last the problem was solved. France, with immense new fortifications defending her soil, looked out on a German zone empty of soldiers, naked of defensive works. Germany, on the other hand, felt easier in mind now that the menace, the very real menace, of the Separatist movement, was at an end.

But the long struggle for the strategic mastery of the Rhineland has not ended in a victory for France. And, even if the Rhineland were not rearméd, what, it may be asked by the French generals, is a 30-mile demilitarised zone in these days of tanks and mechanised heavy guns which could cross it in an hour?

What is the value of the neutralised Rhineland when a sudden secret mobilisation could transform a million Rhinish civilians into a million marching Reichswehrmen in a few hours?

As it happened, the wind front of the hangar and, upon observing this, a large number of those present, the majority of whom were school children from Queen's College and other institutions, rushed to the spot. Seeing the danger of a collision and possibly injury to some of the more reckless of the spectators, Mr. Van den Born with great presence of mind (for he was travelling at considerable speed) swerved his machine clear. This left him too little distance in which to make for the shed, and the result was a collision in which the forepart of the machine was considerably crumpled. No injury resulted to the motor, fortunately, and Mr. Van den Born himself escaped with but a few slight bruises.

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1911-1936: AVIATION IN HONGKONG

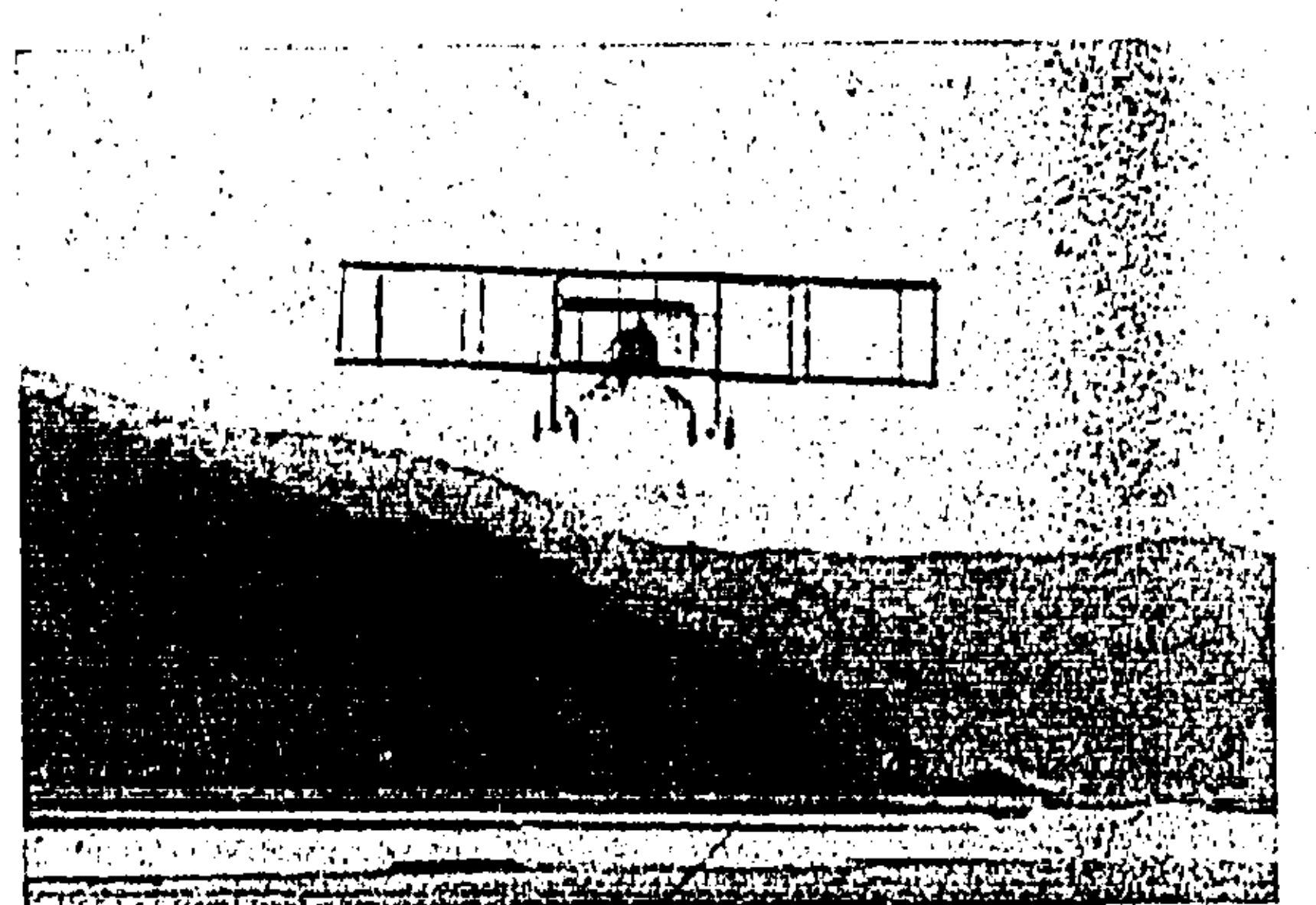
EXACTLY twenty-five years ago this week the first aviator to fly in Hongkong took off at Shatin and, amidst the jubilation of thousands of people who assembled to witness his daring feat, succeeded in flying a distance of 200 yards!

The flight was made on March 18, 1911 by Mr. Van den Born, a Belgian. To-day, just over 25 years later, the Imperial Airways liner Dorado inaugurates a commercial service that brings Hongkong within 26 hours of Penang, and within ten days of London.

Newspaper reports of Van den Born's first flight in Hongkong are given below.

The S. C. M. Post of March 20, 1911, reported:

"Keen disappointment was manifested by a large number of people who assembled at Shatin on Saturday afternoon (March 18) to witness the exhibition of flying promised by Mr. Van den Born. It was a beautiful day and high hopes were entertained of witnessing the latest of the arts of locomotion under the best of circumstances. There was some delay exactly the spot from which it rose, thus proving the aviator's ability to fly (a question much debated during the afternoon by the Governor, and when His Excellency did arrive it was found that the wind had risen too high to permit of flying. The machine was taken out of its shed, however, and the working of the motor displayed, but it was decided that it would be folly to attempt to rise in the teeth of a gale blowing about 30 miles an hour. The people hung around impatiently, and most of them were glad when the 5.10 train started for home, for, although the band of the Rajputs did its best to enliven matters, nothing would have induced the crowd to wait longer."



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Marble Sunk In 1881 Raised By Sanctions

Bowcombe Creek, near Kinsbridge, South Devon, Mar. 13. THE shore of this little creek is to-day ringing with the sound of chain and tackle, sledge hammers and the popping of a little motor-winch.

Lying in the mud of the low-tide level are half a dozen large seaweed-covered blocks. On the shore, scrubbed and polished to a glistening whiteness, there are more of these great squares.

Passers-by hardly give a glance at the eight or nine workmen who are busying themselves among this sea-shore Stonehenge. But those workmen are pulling treasure worth thousands of pounds out of the sea, beneath which it has lain defying all efforts at salvage since 1881—for those great stones are pure Italian marble.

It is sanctions that is bringing them to the sea surface at last.

Fifty-five years ago a small Italian sailing vessel battled with a gale off the Devon coast. She carried more than two hundred tons of Italian marble for delivery to a London merchant. But the gale beat the Volvere, as she was called, a few miles off Salcombe. She was smashed on treacherous rocks. The captain's wife, put ashore on the rocks, was washed back into the sea. The whole crew were drowned.

ATTEMPTS FAILED
The two hundred or more tons of marble sank to the sea bed. After the underwriters had finished with the wreck six local fishermen bought it. They salvaged small pieces of marble and more than one hundred tons of good walnut wood, and then sold the wreck to a Plymouth merchant.

AGGRESSIVE POLICY BY THE KING?

AMERICAN VIEW

London, Mar. 10. Kind Edward VIII, who is aggressively interested in international relations; economics and trade, is expected to have a strong influence on Britain's future policies.

The King's part will be played, not through actual orders or instructions, but through the more subtle influence of royal prestige and personality.

The King's actual powers are sharply defined. He has not one-tenth the authority, for instance, of the President of the United States.

Strictly speaking, all bills of Parliament must be given the Royal Assent or dissent. However, it is a dead letter and no sovereign has tried to dissent to a bill since the time of Queen Anne.

The prerogatives and functions of the Crown may be summed up as follows:

The Royal Assent; to cause the due admission of laws; to act on behalf of the whole community in its intercourse with foreign states, and, as part of that, to declare war or conclude peace; to direct the naval and military forces of the country; to administer the public revenue; to summon or dissolve parliament; to create peers; and to coin money. The Monarch is the supreme governor of the church; the source of justice and of mercy, and of all offices, honours and charters rights.

But, in practice, the King acts in every case through ministers who are amenable to Parliament, and the choice of those ministers is the only prerogative which can constitutionally be exercised without responsible advisers; but even over this there is much parliamentary control for the royal favour can have no practical effect unless it rests upon men whose characters and measures are generally acceptable to both houses. The King's speeches are usually written for him by his ministers, or in any event, approved by them.

The Royal Assent, while a formality, is necessary before a bill can become law, which is one of the reasons why a council of state is assigned the powers of the crown in event of the King's grave illness. The Assent is sent to Parliament and read in Norman-French by the Clerks of both houses, "Le roy le veut." If Assent should be withheld, it is given in the gentle language, "Le roy s'aviser."

Colonial Powers
In colonies acquired by conquest or cession, the King may legislate as he pleases. Even in the case of the self-governing dominions he can "disallow" an act, but it is made subject to the constitution of the dominions to a period of limitation, usually one or two years.—United Press.

CIRCUS TIME IS NO. 1 TIME FOR KIDS ANYWHERE



A circus has arrived to the little Caucasian town and these three girls, Frodozia, Ewlampla and Tanya are present for the first time in their life. Their features tell that it is an adventure.

ROMANCE COMES AFTER TRAGEDY

A mountaineering tragedy in which a girl heiress fell 500 feet to her death is recalled by the engagement of Miss Daphne V. P. Simpson to Mr. R. G. G. Morgridge.

They were members of a party of four Oxford undergraduates who climbed Tryfan, 3,000 feet peak in Snowdonia last March.

Miss Edna Gray Pritchard, aged twenty-two—who inherited £100,000 from her father, a Liverpool stockbroker—slipped during the descent, injured her legs and head.

ALL-NIGHT SEARCH
The fourth member of the expedition, Mr. J. N. Mills, placed her on a ledge and hurried down the mountain side for assistance.

He returned with a rescue party of thirty. Miss Pritchard had vanished.

Search for the missing girl continued all through the night. Morning came—and with it the discovery of the tragedy. The girl's body was found at the bottom of a ravine, five hundred feet below.



A view from the castle in Makle, the Abyssinian town on the Northern front, now under Italian rule.

is broken by a combination of twists and jerks on the rope by the hangman and two assistants.—United Press.

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Love

Budapest, Feb. 28. FOR nearly ninety years Joseph Bruger, a well-known Budapest character who begs on the city bridges, forsook marriage.

He became known as the misogynist beggar.

Then he fell in love with a charming woman, Anna Orosz.

To-day they were married—he aged ninety and she fifty-two—at a ceremony which many beggars attended.

"It is a love match. We both felt lonely," said Bruger after the marriage.

Japan Wants Old Warships

READY TO BUY FOR SCRAP

Honolulu, Mar. 15. Steel once welded to shape a new naval destiny for the United States may be melted and molded into what promises to be a new naval destiny for Japan.

Details of plans for wrecking the old schooner-cruiser Alton revealed her scrap possibly will be sold to Japan.

The Alton, now moored in decommissioned row near the submarine base, Pearl Harbour navy yard, was formerly the U.S.S. Chicago, first all-steel warship constructed by the United States.

When the Chicago slid down the ways of the John Roach & Sons' shipyard, Chester, Penna., in 1889, there was simultaneous launching of a new era of navy construction which had far-reaching effect upon the industrial life of the nation.

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A Recital of English Ballads by J. Mc. Naught Thomson (Baritone) accompanied by Nuru Kanis.

Programme
1. Loving Smile of Sister Kind... Gounod.
2. Cargoes... Coningsby-Clarke.

3. Allah be with us... Woodford-Finden.
4. A Song of Thanksgiving... Allitton.

5. Tommy Lad... Margeson.
8.20-8.25 p.m. "Gershwin Fox-Trot Medley" played by Harry Roy's Tiger Rascals.

8.25-8.35 p.m. From the Studio.
"Canosian Institute" Seventy-five Years in Hongkong by a Former Pupil.

8.35-8.40 p.m. Two Songs by Mlle. Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).
1. Ta Main (Hands across the Table).

2. Mon ami le Vent—Chanson.
8.40-9 p.m. From the Studio.
A Pinnoforte Recital by Caroline Bragg.

9-9.15 p.m. A Relay of the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.15-9.30 p.m. Military Band Music.
Mirella—Overture (Gounod)...
The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
Hyde Park Suite (Jalowiez)...
The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

9.30-9.45 p.m. From the Studio.
A talk "The Confederate States of America, 1861-1865" by H. C. Macnamara.

9.45-10 p.m. A Jazz Piano Recital by Carroll Gibbons.
1. Coronada—Selection. 2. Thanks a Million—Selection. 3. You're got to admit. 4. July. 5. Stars fell in Alabama.

10 p.m. Big Ben.
10-10.10 p.m. From the Studio.
A talk by Captain J. H. Lock of R.M.A. "Dorado" carrying first Air Mails from London to Hongkong.

10.10-11 p.m. Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—Love's Serenade.
"Moonspan Dreams."
"Riding up the River Road."
"The Simple things in life."
"Gypsy Violin."

Tango—Caramba.
Fox-Trot—Louisiana Fairy Tale.
"The Oregon Trail."
"Kiss me goodnight."
"Chasing Shadows."
"Allah's Holiday."

Paso-Double—El Relicario.
Fox-Trot—Lovely to look at.
"I won't Dance."
"Turn your face to the Sun."
"Red Sails in the Sunset."

11 p.m. Close Down.

DAVENTRY PROGRAMMES
The following wave-lengths and frequencies are observed by Daventry.

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FIRST DEFEAT OF INVINCIBLE BADMINTON TEAM

Eliot Hall "A" Bow Before Inspired Recreio



PTE. E. NIELSON

FAVoured TO WIN TITLE

East Lances' Champion

Regarded by many as the most outstanding amateur Services boxer in Hongkong, Pte. Nielson of the East Lancashire Regiment promises to be one of the chief contenders for the Hongkong Area Welterweight boxing championship next month.

In 1934, his first year in Hongkong, Pte. Nielson was runner-up in the Area welterweight championship after putting up one of the best performances of the programme. It needed a casting vote by the referee before a verdict could be reached in the final scrap, and before giving this the referee complimented both Nielson and his opponent on their fine display and ordered an extra round to be fought.

HE HAD REVENGE

The winner was none other than Pte. Roberts of the South Wales Borderers, a prime favourite with local fight enthusiasts. At that time Roberts reigned supreme and was regarded as unbeatable at his weight. (Continued on Page 9.)

To-day's Tennis Programme

Two open championship matches are arranged for this afternoon at the Cricket Club.

S. A. Rumjahn will meet Frank Kwok and will be the first to reach the last eight stage of the open singles. Kwok's rigid defence may prolong the match, although it is doubtful whether he can avoid a straight sets defeat.

A. W. Ramsay and Gordon Burnett, who played rather disappointingly in their first round of the doubles, meet the Taul brothers. The Chinese are playing well at the present and a comfortable win for them is indicated.

Complete programme follows.
Open Singles (Third Round)
S. A. Rumjahn v F. H. Kwok
Open Doubles (Second Round)
A. W. Ramsay and G. C. Burnett v W. F. Taul and Y. P. Taul
Club Championship (First Round)
Lt. Gdr. Stapleton v Capt. W. J. R. Craig
Club Handicap Singles (First Round)
Lt. W. P. Lee v E. H. Huthurst-3/6
Lt. W. A. R. Grant-16/2 v E. H. Williams-3/6
J. Thomson 1 1/2 v T. A. Pearce-15
T. J. Price v H. O'M. Deane-5/6
Club Handicap Doubles (First Round)
V. H. Gordon and A. H. Penn 1 1/2 v H. H. Butters and D. McDougall-4/6
(Second Round)
C. C. Clark and F. A. Joseph-2/5 v T. C. Monaghan and E. J. McMullen-3/6

TENNIS TRIUMPH FOR MISS YORKE

Three Titles Won By English Girl

London, Mar. 23. Miss A. M. ("Billie") Yorke, the English international tennis player has achieved a personal triumph in the Egyptian lawn tennis tournaments winning all three titles.

After annexing the singles, she won the women's doubles with Miss Joan Ingram and the mixed with G. P. Hughes, the English Davis Cup star.—*Reuters Bulletin Service.*

ENGLAND WINS AT HOCKEY

London, March 23. England outplayed Wales to-day in an international hockey match and won by four goals to one.—*Reuters Bulletin Service.*

TACTICS WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT THEIR DEFEAT

PLAY-OFF FOR THE TITLE WILL BE NECESSARY

(By "Veritas")

Last evening Recreio "A" men's doubles badminton team accomplished something which, for the past two years, everybody has said was impossible; they beat Eliot Hall "A", Colony champions, in a badminton league match. In consequence (unless Recreio unexpectedly lose a match) there will have to be a play-off for the men's doubles league title on a date and a venue yet to be settled.



Eddie Sousa, who played a notable part in Recreio's victory last night.

Well over 200 badminton enthusiasts crowded Club de Recreio for this match, which signalled the first defeat sustained by Eliot Hall "A" since the start of the Hongkong league. They were rewarded with the finest match ever seen in the Colony.

WHY THEY WON

Recreio won because they showed enough to change their tactics. Eliot Hall, whose badminton has been nurtured on forecourt play—a type of game in which they stand supreme in Hongkong—discovered they had to defend the base of the court. It was a new experience, and although they tried hard to adapt themselves to the requirements of this form of play, they could not sustain a defence against the fast moving and hard hitting Portuguese.

When Eliot Hall did get their opportunities of dictating the exchanges they exploited drop shots for all they were worth and had Recreio outplayed. But the home players invariably returned to lob high and deep from corner to corner, get the Varsity men on the run, and dash in for the final cross-court "kill".

It is questionable whether such fine driving of the shuttle in the match was seen before in Hongkong. All of the players were up to concert pitch and covered the court with remarkable agility and speed. When it came to scoring direct, Recreio's drive, the teams shared the honour, but Recreio benefited to a greater extent in the long run as their swift and well placed drives often paved the way for a winning smash.

THE HEROES

For the winners, L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva were the heroes. They won all three games and gave a demonstration of forceful and lightning badminton in each. Silva, always methodical and unruffled, created most of the openings by his subtle placements, while Carvalho, alert and eager, performed prodigious feats of overhead smashing.

C. O. Lee and K. L. Yong were the best among the losers. Lee, boasting a beautifully stylish backhand, commanded the base of the court and very nearly found the right answer to the Recreio's tactics. His cleverest shot was a high and deep lob taken on the backhand as the opposition advanced to the net. It scored heavily against Alves and Sousa.

Recreio also owed a lot to Dick Alves and Eddie Sousa, who, frankly speaking, were not expected to win more than one game. But they came up trumps in their second encounter when they not only beat Eliot Hall first string but, in so doing won the match.

Here again the methods of attack were deep drives and lobs to the corners and a quick follow-in for the "kill". Only Lee and Yong found the right answer to this type of game.

Not unnaturally the players were somewhat affected by the importance of the occasion, but Recreio settled down very much quicker than Eliot Hall, who subsequently failed to recover from an early shock of being outplayed by one of the end of the first round.

MOST EXCITING GAME

To the delight of their supporters Recreio went to a 4-2 lead and then Sousa and Alves, making the most of their advantage of being up against rattled opponents, won the seventh game for the match. Eliot Hall recovered by the eighth, but Carvalho and Silva refused to be denied a distinction, not hitherto enjoyed by any other pair, of winning all three games against the champions.

Easily the most exciting game of the evening was the second round match between Carvalho and Silva and C. O. Lee and K. L. Yong. Recreio held on to a single set lead up to 17-all and then obtained a point with Eliot Hall couple at 10. At this point services were lost by means of some dithering. Then a lines service crossed the net without any alteration to the score and then Recreio watched the one set for a thrilling win.

Detailed scores follow.
M. A. Oliveira and J. J. P. Medina (Recreio "A") lost to T. C. Lee and

P. K. Chan 17-21; lost to C. O. Lee and K. L. Yong 18-21; beat K. S. Liew and K. Y. Lee 21-17.
L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreio "A") beat Lee and Chan 21-10; beat Lee and Yong 21-19; beat Liew and Lee 21-12.
E. da Sousa and H. A. Alves (Recreio "A") beat Lee and Chan 21-18; lost to Lee and Yong 8-21; beat Liew and Lee 21-15.

POINTS CONCEDED

Kowloon Tong have conceded a walk-over to Recreio "A" in their match scheduled for to-morrow and a walk-over to Eliot Hall "B" in their match fixed for next week. The amended league table therefore reads.
P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
Recreio "A" 18 17 1 112 14 34
Recreio "A" 18 15 1 95 22 30
G.R.C. 18 14 4 107 40 28
St. Andrew's "A" 18 12 4 89 64 24
Eliot Hall "B" 17 12 6 83 43 22
St. John's 14 10 4 69 38 20
Recreio "B" 17 8 9 73 80 16
Fire Brigade 17 8 9 73 78 16
V.R.C. 16 3 13 42 84 6
Kowloon Tong 21 3 19 49 104 6
St. Andrew's "B" 18 2 16 30 97 2
S. and S. Home 17 1 16 30 134 2

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY

Local Tournament Final On Sunday

The final of the local International Hockey tournament will be played between England and Portugal on Sunday at the Royal Naval Recreation Club ground, King's Park at 10.30 a.m.

12 RUNS FROM ONE HIT

Christchurch, N.Z.

Somewhat unusual was the tally placed against a batsman's name in the scoring book for one hit, the figure 12 going down without the ball being lost. The stroke originally was worth two, two overthrows were run, then three more, a total of seven so far. On this last occasion however, a fieldman stopped the ball with his cap and, of course, under Law 41, a penalty of a further five runs was exacted, thus bringing the grand total to 12.

England, who will play in red, will be represented by the following: A. B. Owen; J. E. Potter and Bds. F. Cox; Lieut. J. P. Williams (Capt.), W. A. Reed and J. Farmer; S. A. Fowler, G. E. R. Divett, Sub-Lieut. Wraith, Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite, and Flight-Lieut. Lascelles.

TRIANGULAR HOCKEY TOURNEY

Deciding Match On Monday Next

The deciding match in the Triangular Hockey Tournament will be staged on the Morina ground between the Army and the Hongkong Hockey Club on Monday, March 30, at 4.30 p.m. The Army will be represented by the following players: Sapper Howells; Bds. F. Cox and K. H. Singh; Sapper Brown, Lieut. J. P. Williams (Capt.), and Alot-Din; Khuda Bux, Mohd. Afzal, Lal Singh, Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite and L/Cpl. Nolan.

CRICKET NOTES

SPOTTING "STARS" AT KING'S PARK

QUINNELL IS A GOOD BOWLER

(By R. Abbit)

Although last Saturday was a much nicer day than we have had for weeks there was practically no cricket as the combined operations took up the activities of most of the players.

It was unfortunate, but these things have to be done or how could the Military Contribution be justified? But after dodging borders of accreted soldiers festooned with the weapons of their trade I managed to get across to Kowloon hotly pursued by what looked like a section of our excellent St. John Ambulance Brigade and a few others who looked like nothing on earth.

I finally arrived at the K.C.C. to discover if there was a Club game by any chance but found the ground covered by gallant men and fair ladies playing tennis. Thence to the Naval Sports ground where at last my ears were cheered by the sound of the bat hitting the ball. I gathered that the Empress of Britain had fielded a side against what was available of the Navy auxiliaries—technical casualties no doubt in the early hours of the fighting, (or were they left out of the fun? Too bad, too bad!) Anyway there was quite an enjoyable game. I did not get there in time to see the start but I managed to achieve one object and that was to see Quinnell in action. He has rather a curious delivery which I imagine may make the flight of the ball puzzling, but I think I know the ball gets most of his wickets—a perfect length one which seems a shade faster than the others and just flicks the top of the stumps.

He produced two of them in quick succession at the end of the Empress's innings and they would have bowled a good deal better batsmen than the ones they did actually dismiss.

Thanks to their first two batsmen the Empress team won comfortably but the rest of the side were not very skilful. There was one bat, however, who had evidently been a cricketer in the days of his youth—I think he was probably on the wrong side of fifty, but he scorned gloves and pads and made one of the nicest old-fashioned square hits to leg that I have seen for years. (I am writing this in the pious hope that the Empress will have moved on before it appears in print.)

I umpired for a few minutes in this game, at the end, and was interested in seeing how the ball was taking spin on a rather loosely stretched bit of matting.

CLUB GAMES

Both the Indians and Craggenower managed to get in scratch games on their own ground but I am afraid I know nothing more of them beyond what has appeared in the papers.

THE MATCH OF MATCHES

I cannot quite recollect if I said that the K.C.C.-University match was to be played at Kowloon on 28th March. There was some such idea, I believe. I shall deal with the game next Friday when I hope to have got a little more material and a little less cold and cough, but I may as well state now that the same will be played at the originally staged venue—the University ground at Pokfulam.

NEW SOCCER STAR ON VIEW TO-DAY

Tio Hian-Gwin Playing For South China "A"

PLAYER SUSPENDED

WONG MEE SHUN OUT OF SOCCER FOR FORTNIGHT

The Emergency Committee of the Hongkong Football Association sat yesterday evening to consider the case of Wong Mee-shun the centre-half of the South China "A" team, who was ordered off the field during the match against the Kowloon F.C. on March 14 last.

After inquiring into the circumstances of the case, the Emergency Committee decided to suspend this player for two weeks as from yesterday.

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AT NOON
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Steamer	Hong Kong	Shanghai	Nagasaki	Kobe	Yokohama	Honolulu	Van couver
Leave	Arrive	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Leave	Arrive
E/Brilliant	Mar. 25	Mar. 28		April 11	April 15	April 24	To San Francisco
E/Canada	April 3	April 6		April 8	April 10	April 17	April 22
E/Russia	April 17	April 19	April 21	April 23	April 25		May 4
E/Japan	May 1	May 3	May 5	May 7	May 9	May 14	May 19
E/Asia	May 15	May 17	May 19	May 21	May 23	May 28	June 1
E/Canada	May 29	May 31	June 2	June 4	June 6	June 12	June 17
E/Russia	June 12	June 14	June 16	June 18	June 20	June 26	June 29
E/Japan	June 26	June 28	June 30	July 2	July 4	July 9	July 14
E/Asia	July 10	July 12	July 14	July 16	July 18	July 23	July 27
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Kay Brannan, late of Wellesley, leaves a wild yachting party with Bob Dakin, medical doctor, returning her back to Boston he drunkenly insists on marrying her. But when he sobered he remembered Priscilla Hyde, his fiancée. The Dakins are unexpectedly kind but Priscilla is unwilling so Kay begs Bob to wait until Spring for divorce. He reluctantly consents but their marriage is to be one "in name only." As the months pass Bob becomes more and more engrossed in his medical work. Kay discovers that he is corresponding with Priscilla. She is quite unable from asking questions for now a deep and growing companionship has arisen between herself and Bob. But one afternoon Priscilla calls. She is quite amiable but annoyed at her invitations. Then Bob walks in.

CHAPTER XXV.

Bob stopped on the threshold, and Priscilla looked at him and at her; and Kay said quickly: "Why, Bob, you're early!" "Dead tired," he confessed. He explained to Priscilla: "Dr. Fabre has been away these last two weeks, and I'm doing double duty. Got a chance to break away this afternoon, for once." Priscilla had risen, and he took her hand. "Here," said Kay. She handed him a cup of tea. "Bob likes his strong and black as ink," she explained smilingly. "Yes, I know," Priscilla assented, in a dry amusement. Bob sat down, on the edge of his chair, precariously. "What you need, Bob, is a cock-tail," Priscilla suggested. "You're low!" He grinned. "Is that custom still prevalent?" he asked. Priscilla's brows rose in an amused grimace. "Have you acquired virtue?" she exclaimed. "And—do you find it is its own reward?" he told her. "I'm doing so much work nowadays I never get a chance to let down." "You ought to make the chance!" "I will, some day," he agreed. "A good old-fashioned bender might help a lot." He grinned at Kay. "Ten minutes, another cup of tea, Kay. I'll see you in a jiffy." Priscilla looked at her watch. "Stephens should have come for me fifteen minutes ago," she said. "Was he outside when you came in, Bob?" He shook his head. "No," he confessed. "If I'd seen the Clinic," he said, "I'd have gone to the Clinic." "Way," she challenged. "Afraid of me?" "Too tired for social amenities," he told her evasively. Kay suggested: "Why don't you run Priscilla home, Bob, if her car doesn't come? I know she's in a hurry." He looked at her, half-startled. "Oh, there's plenty of time," he protested. "I'm sure Stephens will be here soon," Priscilla agreed. But the car did not come, though the waiting became awkward, and Priscilla suggested at last: "I'll walk! It's only a few blocks. He must have had a flat tyre." Bob looked uncomfortable, and Kay said again: "You take her home, Bob! Dinner won't be ready for an hour anyway." "I hate making so much trouble," Priscilla insisted. "Stephens is so stupid." Kay smiled at her mockingly. "Bob, you ought not to seem so reluctant," she warned him. "Run along!" In the end, Bob surrendered; and when the thing was decided, he put on a surprising vivacity, laughed in a fashion strange to him of late. Priscilla bade Kay good-bye most graciously. "You're sweet to let Bob take me home," she said. "When he's so tired, I'll send him right back to you." "Why, there isn't the least hurry," Kay assured her. She closed the door behind them, heard their quick voices, their laughter as they descended to the street. She was still standing there when presently she heard other steps returning, ascending the stairs; and her heart began to pound. It might be Bob. But when she opened the door she saw Genevieve. And the other girl looked at Kay, and said with quick amusement: "Heavens, child, you look as though you'd seen a ghost. Am I so terrifying?" "I thought you were Bob!" Kay confessed. Genevieve nodded, her eyes shrouded. "I saw him on the side-walk. With Priscilla." "She called on me," Kay explained. "And her car didn't come for her, so Bob had to take her home." The other seemed about to speak, then closed her tongue. She came in, and Kay closed the door behind her. "I just dropped in to say howdy," Genevieve explained. "Haven't seen you in a week." She laid aside her coat, and Kay urged: "Your hat, too, Genevieve. Stay." The maid went clearing away the tea things, and Genevieve demanded a cup. While they sat together, she watched Kay thoughtfully; and Kay saw her scrutiny and said a little breathlessly: "Bob will want to have a visit with you. He'll be back in five minutes." Instead he telephoned, regretfully. "Kay," he said, "I've got to go to the hospital. An emergency. One of the nurses has an appendix. Don't wait dinner for me." "Oh, Bob, I'm sorry," Kay told him. "Can't you wait a minute while I get a drink?" But before he could demur, she mustered her resolution. "But of course not. I know you have to go. Genevieve's here with me. I'll try to keep her for dinner." "Do that. Keep her till I come. I haven't seen Gen for a long time." Kay, returning from the telephone, met Genevieve's eyes. She said, with a little laugh: "That's the way with doctors. You never know where they'll be. He has to go on errands to a nurse." Genevieve lighted a cigarette. "All right, I'll stay. I accept your invitation, child. We haven't had a good gal time together for months. If you could manage a cock-tail, the scene would be complete in every detail." "I'm sorry," Kay confessed. "We haven't anything in the house." She sat abstractedly, her ears attuned to cheerful conversation. Till the older girl said at last: "I'm Bob must have had hurry calls before." And: "Of course," Kay agreed. "I know." They were at dinner, Kay still and white, Genevieve ebulliently cheerful when the telephone rang again. Kay came on her feet like a flash. "I'll take it, Anna," she told the maid, and darted into the hall. Genevieve, from where she sat, could hear her words. "Hello?" "Yes, this is Mrs. Dakin..." "Oh!" A breathless, interminable pause. Then: "Wait a minute, please. I'll give you the number." Genevieve heard the rustling of paper, and then: "Try Cabot 4332. If he isn't there, call me back. I may be able to locate him for you." When Kay returned to the dining-room, Genevieve met her at the door; and Kay came desperately into her arms. "It was the hospital, wanting Bob," she whispered. "There's an emergency, an embolus. The thing he's been training himself to do..." Genevieve had a deep understanding. "Wait," she urged. "They'll call again in a minute, if they don't locate him." "I gave them Priscilla's number," Kay confessed. "I know, child. I know. But wait..." They waited five minutes, and then the telephone did not ring again. And suddenly Kay said in weary submission: "He was there!" And her head dropped forward on her crossed arms where she sat at the table, and she wept terribly, and Genevieve came to her side. "Please, please, Kay!" she begged. Kay looked up at her, with swimming, tormented eyes. "I can't help it," she sobbed. "Oh, Genevieve, I love him so!" Genevieve, full of a deep sympathy and understanding, stayed with Kay till Bob came home. Kay after a little was composed again. "It's really an awful joke on me!" she confessed. "Falling in love with

Bob! I've never seriously thought about the possibility! At first I just grabbed him because he was my last hope..." She hesitated, her eyes for a moment shadowing. "And I meant to hang on to him like a leech. But after I met his people, I was ashamed of myself, and I'd have let him go, if it hadn't been for Priscilla! I swore she should never have him!" "But I never thought I might be in love with him. Till to-night!" She smiled in a wry fashion. "So the joke's on me, after all; and it's Priscilla's turn to laugh!" And Genevieve could only say, angrily: "If Bob had any sense in him at all..." She was too wise to argue against the certain fact that Bob had stayed with Priscilla, instead of returning here, and that he had lied to Kay.

So they waited; and Kay, twisting her fingers together, confessed: "I used to think that if Bob ever did get a chance to do this operation, I wanted to be there, and see him, and be proud. Now I want to see him at the hospital with him! Do you suppose she did?" But Genevieve laughed at that suggestion, wholly incredulous. And Kay wished to telephone the hospital to make sure they had found Bob, but Genevieve would not let her. "Kay," she asked to telephone some inquiry about the patient and the operation, but Genevieve was adamant. Kay did call Dr. Dakin to tell him what Bob was doing; but Childers reported that Dr. Dakin was himself at the hospital, that Bob had summoned him, and Kay reported this to Genevieve, with bleak pain in her eyes and in her tones.

"He might have called me, too," she whispered; and she admitted: "I'm as worried as if I were the patient's wife, instead of the doctor's Genevieve. I want so much for Bob to do it, and have everything go well. Dr. Dakin will be so proud!" And added humbly: "And so will I!"

After an hour or two, the Clinic telephoned to leave word for Bob that they had located Dr. Chandler, and that the other man would be on call to-night, so that Bob would be free. Kay took the message.

"I'll tell Dr. Dakin when he comes home," she promised; and she turned away from the telephone with her eyes shining.

"Bob's on his way home!" she cried. "He's finished it! He's on his way home!" And she explained: "That was the Clinic. He must have asked Dr. Chandler—that's his assistant—to be on call; and that means he wants to celebrate!" She raced away to her room. "I must wash my eyes, be ready for him! He must come in five minutes, not ten, nor in half an hour. And Kay while she waited faded like a dying flame; and Genevieve suggested that this must be the case. But after a while they could find no more words of comfort to say. It was more than an hour before they heard Bob's key in the door.

Kay went to meet him, and Genevieve caught up coat and hat and followed her. She saw Bob come in, radiant with triumph, his eyes shining and his tones full of the intoxication of success; and he cried: "I did it, Kay! Did it, and got away with it!"

"I knew you would," Kay told him. "You were long enough about it," Genevieve protested in a good-natured wrath. "Kay here was on pins and needles all the time. I had to stay past my bedtime to keep her from fairly biting her nails. Good night, you two!"

Bob urged: "Wait a minute! I want an audience, Gen. I'm going to brag and blow!"

"Kay will listen," Genevieve assured him. "To hear someone speaking of operations never did have any appeal for me." She said good night again, and departed; and the door closed behind her, and Bob caught Kay's arm and hurried her into the living-room and told the tale, speaking rapidly, his words tumbling, his eyes bright.

"Just the thing I'd worked on," he assured her. "An embolus on the middle in the left femoral, and the leg turned white, and cold. I got hold of Father, and Doctor Fabre, to watch."

He plunged into the technical aspects of the operation. "What a kick I got out of it, Kay!" he cried. "You've no notion! Father and the chief had their hands on the leg, under the sheet. They could feel it get warm when the blood began to flow again..." He went over and over the same ground endlessly; and Kay listened, and smiled, giving him whoophearted approval with no stint or reservation to mar his happiness.

He finished and said: "I've a notion to take a drink, to celebrate! Haven't we got something tucked away, Kay?" "Not a drop," Kay confessed. "Not even in the medicine cabinet!" "I'll write a prescription and go down to the drug store," Bob declared. "It's not closed yet." He looked at Kay. "Disapprove, do you?" he asked narrowly.

"I think you deserved it," Kay assured him; and he heard the past tense and his cheek flamed slowly.

Bob has been drinking and Kay's words sound like an accusation. But Kay is under a strain wondering about Priscilla, especially now that she realizes her love for Bob. Can she bring him to love her too? Or sure to read to-morrow's thrilling instalment.

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DEATH FOR DOPE-SMUGGLERS IN THE NORTH

In the old days it was opium. To-day heroin, almost unknown in China as recently as 1928, is one of the commonest drugs used by addicts.

Though the habit of heroin-taking has increased so rapidly, the most determined efforts are being made by the Chinese Government to put an end to the practice. These efforts consist of strong propaganda against drug-taking, the opening of more than 600 treatment centres for addicts up and down the country, and the most stringent laws against drug-smugglers, and addicts who relapse after being discharged from a treatment centre.

Death is often the penalty for smugglers and relapsed addicts—as it is also for farmers who grow the forbidden opium poppy. This law is administered without respect of persons. A general who was found to be using one of his aeroplanes for drug-smuggling was led away immediately and shot.

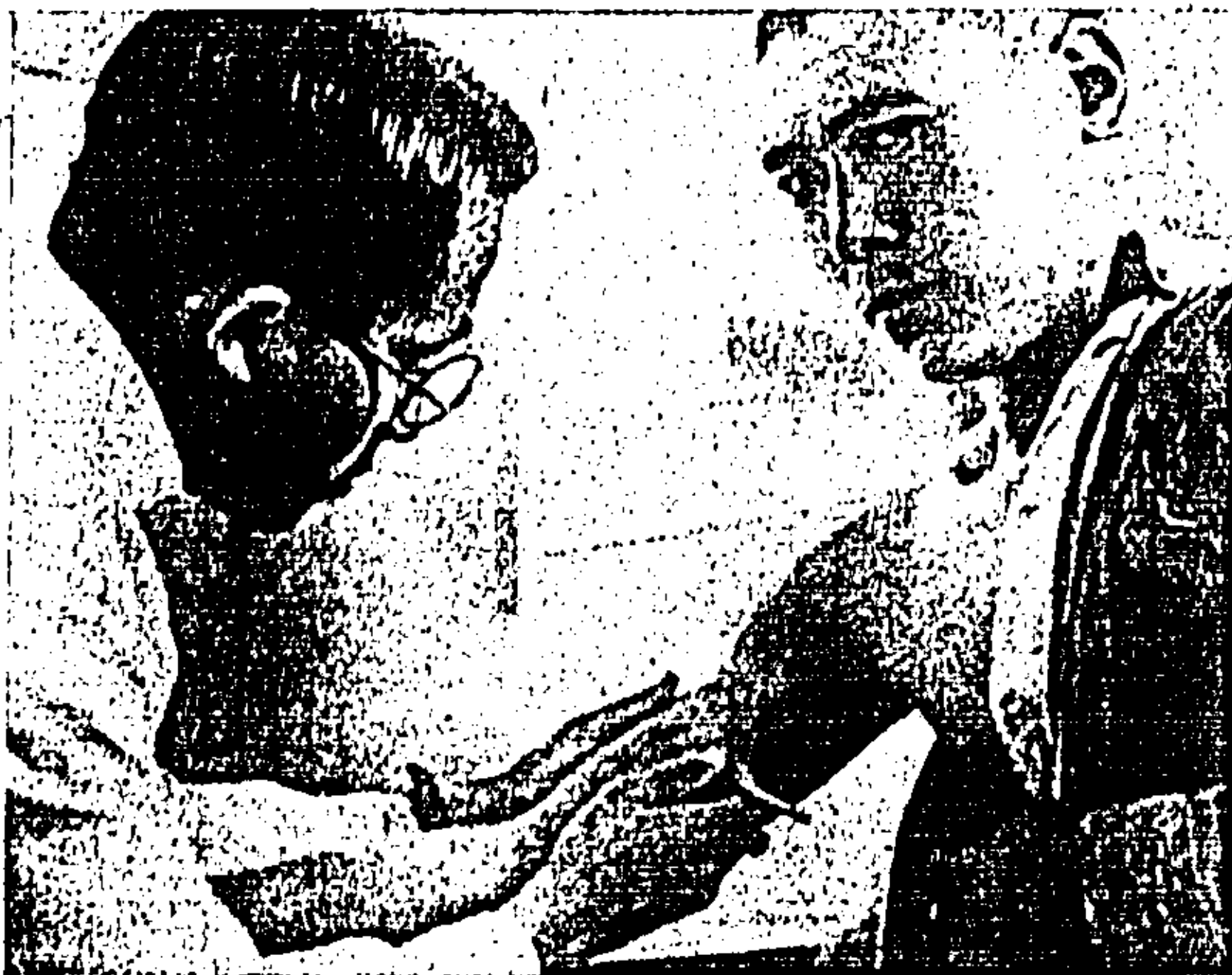
The hospitals in Peiping alone admitted 5,500 patients in 10 months—of these only 60 were known later to have relapsed into drug-taking. Of the 60, 20 were finally set free, 30 were given terms of imprisonment, and 10 were simply beheaded.

The authorities reckon that Peiping alone still contains 40,000 drug addicts—more than a quarter of whom are coolies and manual labourers who take to the drug for relief from physical exhaustion.

Other countries cannot claim to have clean hands in respect of China's drug-problem. 20,000 drug-dealers operating in Peiping are Japanese subjects—and the Chinese say that they get no satisfaction from handing them over to the Japanese authorities. Many British vessels, they also state, are engaged in the drug-smuggling business.

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ARREST OF A HEROIN SMUGGLER



Chinese police arrest a heroin smuggler outside the railway station at Peiping. Peiping is said to contain 40,000 addicts, and the most determined efforts are being made to put down the drug traffic.



A branded man has been caught by the police. Though he knows he is going to death he still enough curiosity to gaze at the photographer. Heroin, now becoming the commonest of drugs, is usually taken in cigarettes, pinches of it being pushed in among the tobacco.

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Viennese Journalist On Tour

ROUND-THE-WORLD CAR OWNER TO VISIT H.K.

ONE of the world's most remarkable motorists has just spent a few days in England.

He is E. H. Naumann, a Viennese journalist, who is engaged on a motor tour of the world in the famous Popular 8 HP Ford.

This amazing trip has already lasted three years and covered 200,000 miles—all in the same car. It is still only about half completed, and some of the stages of the journey yet to be covered represent, in themselves, extraordinary motoring feats.

When seen at Dagenham, where he visited the Ford Works, this all-over-the-world motorist was about to have his car shipped to Tangier, Morocco.

From Northern Africa he will drive the length of the Continent to Capetown, including the crossing of the Sahara Desert.

The formidable journey across the sandy wastes of the Sahara, with nothing but a faint track to guide the traveller, with its sudden blinding sandstorms, and the scant chance of rescue should a breakdown occur in the wildest regions, has hitherto been attempted only by specially-prepared cars manned by well-equipped crews.

Mr. Naumann will undertake it in his Popular Ford, accompanied only by his wife, and without any special equipment.

He feels confident that his car will overcome the difficulties as he has already covered hundreds of miles on the snow-blocked roads of Northern Europe.

To Run 350,000 Miles
From the Cape, this world motorist will proceed via Aden, Syria, Persia, India, Hongkong, China, to Japan. He will then ship his car to America and drive across the U.S.A.

In America he hopes to visit Mr. Henry Ford by which time he anticipates that his car will have covered over 350,000 miles.

Mr. Naumann, who has for years been an enthusiastic long-distance driver, and was the first to cross Siberia by car, believes that he must have broken most mileage records during the last three years.

He has nothing but praise for his car, which has carried him through countless difficulties with scarcely a hitch, and his experiences afford striking evidence of the sturdiness and dependability of this famous light car—the least expensive Saloon car ever produced by a British factory.

Despite the high mileage covered, much of it over appalling roads, he states that no important replacements have been made to the car, and it is still fitted with the original Dagenham-built engine No. 4484.

He and his wife carry out their own running repairs. Accommodation costs them little, as they live and sleep in the car, the interior being adapted for this purpose. Such necessities as a portable stove and cooking utensils are carried on the roof.

He earns his living by writing accounts of his experience and of the countries he visits.

The car is decorated with 62 badges, representative of the motoring clubs and associations of 17 countries.

WORLD RIGHTS FOR BRITISH FILMS

NEW FIRM'S PLANS

Trafalgar Films, with headquarters at the studios being built by London Film Productions at Denham, Buckinghamshire, will begin this month productions for distribution in all countries by United Artists.

The first two pictures by the Trafalgar company are to be "Pagliacci" and "Elizabeth of England."

The rights of "Pagliacci" were purchased only a few weeks before American producers secured the rights in all other Italian operas. "Pagliacci" is therefore likely to be the only Italian opera to be filmed in London. The star will be Mr. Richard Tauber.

Jack Oakley, the United States expert, went to England from Hollywood to supervise the building work at Denham, and the studios will cost about £375,000.

Murray Silverstone, of United Artists, stated that Trafalgar Films would make two or three pictures a year, costing from £150,000 to £200,000 each.



Mr. E. H. Naumann and his wife.

Funeral Service By Sick Bedside

WIFE'S INSISTENCE

Brisbane, Mar. 6.
Gradually prepared for the shock by a series of supposed reports from the hospital, Mrs. Vera Mann, mother of a three days' old baby and wife of Mr. Richard Mann, who was killed in a smash at Coorparoo yesterday morning, was gently told to-day of her husband's death. Her strength proved unequal to the shock and she collapsed.

Her sister, who had been with her since the accident, took charge of the baby and the doctor remained to give what aid he could.

When she recovered later in the day Mrs. Mann asked that the casket be brought into her bedroom before the funeral. Fearing that a distressing scene might have serious effects the doctor tried to dissuade her, but when she became almost frantic in her insistence, he thought it wise to comply with her wishes.

A pathetic scene took place at the bedside, as the casket was lowered on to a trestle placed near her bed. Mrs. Mann leant over and kissed her husband. As the Rev. A. C. Kennedy of the Coorparoo Presbyterian Church, conducted the pre-commitment service she lay back quietly on her pillows, her left hand resting lightly on her husband's forehead. As the service concluded she asked her sister to remove a lock of her husband's hair, and, with this clasped in her hands, she sat up and, through the open windows, silently watched the funeral move away. Later she collapsed and her condition is causing anxiety.

Yugoslavian Eggs Eaten in Britain, Thanks to Sanctions

London, Mar. 20.

Britain will eat more eggs and bacon from Central Europe in consequence of League of Nations sanctions against Italy.

Word comes from Geneva's experts on sanctions that sanctionists are not buying from non-sanctionist nations.

This accounts for the shifting of trade from Hungary, which is not applying sanctions against Italy, to Yugoslavia, which is applying sanctions against Italy.

This is one of the outcomes of the mutual support which states imposing sanctions under Article 16 of the Covenant of the League of Nations are giving to one another.

Britain in the case of Yugoslavia has now agreed to material reductions in the limitations and tariffs it has hitherto applied to Yugoslavian eggs, bacon, turkeys and chickens.

Yugoslavia has been exporting about 178 hundredweight of eggs to Britain each year and paying a duty of 1s. 6d. per 120 eggs, according to weight. The duty on turkeys is reduced from 8d. to 1d. per pound, this concession being limited to 60,000 hundredweight per annum. The duty on chickens is similarly reduced from 8d. to 1d. per pound, this concession being limited to 20,000 hundredweight per annum.

The agreement was reached after consultation with the British Dominions and Southern Rhodesia, whose consent was required under the Ottawa agreement.

KING EDWARD'S WORKSHOP

London, Mar. 12.
King Edward, who wants to know "what makes the wheels go round" in his new job as monarch of 493,000,000 people, has enlarged his offices.

His father, King George V. had three rooms on the first floor of Buckingham Palace where he discharged his duties of State. The new king, reluctant to disturb them when he found he needed more room, took over the Belgian suite, a group of rooms overlooking the palace quadrangle.

The rooms, once set aside for receiving visiting royalty, are filled with messengers, secretaries and clerks.

One room is the King's personal "workshop" and across a hall are the rooms of his business staff.—United Press.

STILL SOVIET'S BEST CUSTOMER

BRITAIN TOOK 25 PER CENT. OF EXPORTS

Britain is still Russia's leading customer.

Trade figures for 1935, published recently, reveal that more than 25 per cent. of Russia's total exports last year went to Britain, the trade turnover having registered an increase of 14,190,000 roubles over that for 1934.

Britain in 1935 bought Russian goods to the amount of 86,255,000 roubles. Her exports to Russia were only 43,382,000 roubles.

Russia's favourable trade balance last year was 126,000,000 roubles, compared with 186,000,000 roubles in 1934.

Soviet economic penetration into Persia, Afghanistan, Sinkiang and Outer Mongolia last year continued at a rapid pace.

Forty per cent. of Persia's trade turnover last year was with Russia.

The Soviet absorbed all Persia's exports of rice and livestock and 90 per cent. of her wool and cotton.

RESULT OF AGREEMENT

Exports of metals, machines, cement and automobiles to Persia considerably increased following the trade agreement of last August, whereby the Soviet Union undertook to render technical aid in the development of industry in Persia.

Russia is now also playing an important role in the industrialisation of Afghanistan, whose imports of machinery and technical commodities from Russia have markedly increased. Twenty-five per cent. of Afghanistan's trade turnover was with the Kremlin.

Russia purchased last year almost the whole of Sinkiang's yield of wool hides, cotton, raw silk and undressed furs.

Outer Mongolia's foreign trade was practically confined to Russia. Eight years ago only 34 per cent. of her trade went to the Soviet.

Exports of Soviet machinery, automobiles and metals to Mongolia have increased fivefold in the past five years.

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New York Cotton

	Mar. 20	Mar. 23
March	11.41	11.42/42
May	11.05	11.04/04
July	10.72	10.69/67
October	10.24	10.22/22
December	10.25	10.20/20
January	10.23	10.21/21
Spot	11.46	11.47

New York Rubber

	Mar. 20	Mar. 23
March	10.03	10.04
May	10.07	10.08/11
July	10.15	10.15/16
September	10.23	10.27/27

December 10.82 10.34

Total sales—98 lots.

Chicago Wheat

	May	July	September
May	97%	97/97 1/4	97/97 1/4
July	83	83 1/2/83 1/2	83 1/2/83 1/2
September	86	86 1/2/86 1/2	86 1/2/86 1/2

Saturday's sales: 12,527,000 bushels.

Chicago Corn

	May	July	September
May	59%	58 1/2/58 1/2	58 1/2/58 1/2
July	59	59 1/2/59 1/2	59 1/2/59 1/2

Winnipeg Wheat

	May	July	September
May	83%	82 1/2/82 1/2	82 1/2/82 1/2
July	84%	83 1/2/83 1/2	83 1/2/83 1/2
September	84	83 1/2/83 1/2	83 1/2/83 1/2

New York Silk

	March	May	July
March	1.68	1.70	1.67/67 1/4
May	1.69	1.68	1.67/67 1/4
July	1.65 1/2	1.65 1/2	1.64/64

The troopship Neutrals has left Singapore and is expected here on Thursday. Bad weather had caused her to be slightly behind her original schedule.

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Paris, Mar. 24.
France is prepared to act against Germany if Herr Adolf Hitler, the Chancellor of the Reich, rejects the Locarno Powers' joint proposals for the protection of Western European frontiers and replacement of the repudiated Locarno Treaty.
Officials of the Government said to-day that in the event of Great Britain, Belgium and Italy refusing to support France, the French Government will independently apply severe financial sanctions against Germany, including the termination of the Franco-German clearing agreement which provided Germany with much-needed foreign currencies.—United Press.

SURPRISE IN LONDON
London, March 24.
Considerable surprise has been created among the delegations to the London peace conferences by the report from Paris that the French Government does not intend in any circumstances to recede from the agreement reached by the Locarno Powers and communicated to Germany last week.

The proposals called for a new formula of security in Western Europe and the policing of the Rhineland demilitarised zone by British and Italian troops, among other things.
GERMANY, SAY THE FRENCH, MUST EITHER ACCEPT OR REJECT THE TERMS OF THE LOCARNO POWERS.

M. Pierre Flaudin, the Foreign Minister, is credited with the statement that he will not return to London to discuss any German counter-proposals.
It is felt among the international delegates here that this attitude has complicated the whole situation and made agreement with Germany practically impossible.
No official pronouncement has yet been made, but it is pointed out that both M. Flaudin and M. Paul van Zeeland, the Belgian Prime Minister, have decided not to return to London and that any negotiations on German counter-proposals could not be carried on through the usual diplomatic channels.—Reuter.

Germany Shocked
Berlin, Mar. 24.
German official quarters are shocked by the reports that M. Pierre Flaudin, the French Foreign Minister, has refused to consider counter-proposals to the Locarno Powers' suggestions for the protection of Western European frontiers.
This attitude is regarded as a contradiction of the British policy, stated by Mr. Anthony Eden, the Foreign Secretary, in the House of Commons.—Reuter.

Leaving To-day
Berlin, Mar. 23.
Herr von Ribbentrop, the German chief delegate to the League of Nations Council conference in London, is returning to the British capital by plane on Tuesday.
This announcement indicates that Chancellor Adolf Hitler's consultations with his advisers are ending and that the German reply to the Locarno Powers' proposals for the safeguarding of the Western European peace, has been prepared and will be delivered in London by Herr von Ribbentrop.
To-night, Herr Hitler was still working on the details of his reply to the Locarno Powers.
But despite the waver of rumour, not a single definite fact has leaked out with regard to Herr Hitler's intentions.
Diplomatic circles adhere to the belief that his reply will likely be firm, but conciliatory.—Reuter.

INAUGURAL AIRMAIL FLIGHT DORADO ARRIVES FROM PENANG ON SCHEDULE TO MINUTE

Another milestone in the history of aviation in Hongkong was marked this morning when the Imperial Airways liner Dorado, under the command of Capt. J. H. Lock, arrived at Kai Tak from Penang with 16 bags of mail and a passenger, thus inaugurating a direct service from London to Hongkong.

A large crowd gathered at the aerodrome to witness the landing of the Dorado, chief amongst them being His Excellency the Governor, Sir Andrew Caldecott, the Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole (Harbour Master and Director of Air Services), the Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, Mr. H. R. Butters (Postmaster General), Mr. E. Nelson (Superintendent of Kai Tak Aerodrome), Wing-Commander Bishop and Mrs. Bishop, Dr. G. W. Pope, Lieut. Col. H. L. Murrow, Mr. C. W. Jeffries and Capt. W. J. R. Craig (A.D.C. to the Governor).

Many of those present had arrived on the landing ground just after 11 a.m. notwithstanding the fact that the Dorado was not scheduled to arrive until 11.30. The plane was sighted almost to the minute and at 11.35 she made a graceful landing and taxied into the shed.

FIRST PASSENGER
A surprise greeted the onlookers when they found that the Dorado, which was to carry only mail on this trip, had a passenger. This was Mr. Ong Ee-lin, of Kuala Lumpur, an enthusiastic amateur flyer, who came up to Hongkong to meet his brother. He therefore holds the distinction of being the first passenger to land in the Colony from an Imperial Airways plane.
Capt. Lock and his crew were welcomed by His Excellency, who congratulated them on the success of their inaugural flight. Others also showered their congratulations on Capt. Lock and his men.
A group photograph was then taken of His Excellency together with the Hon. Commr. Hole, Capt. Lock and Mr. A. C. Thomas, the Second Pilot of the Dorado.

Interviewed by a representative of the Telegraph, Capt. Lock said the trip was without incident except for a short delay at Saigon. The weather encountered had been exceptionally good. They left Penang at 6 a.m. yesterday, arrived at Saigon at 11.30 a.m., left at 2.15 p.m. and arrived at Tientsin at 5.30 p.m. They stayed at Tientsin overnight and left at 6.30 this morning.

WEEKLY FLIGHTS
Capt. Lock said a weekly schedule would be maintained, and until such time as Imperial Airways decided to use another machine, the Dorado would be in use. She will leave Penang on Monday mornings, arrive at Hongkong on Tuesday mornings, leave here on Fridays, and return to Penang on Saturdays. This schedule, as said, would connect with the service between London and Australia via Penang.

Altogether, 16 bags of mail were carried by the Dorado on this trip, 14 being from London, and one each from Singapore and Penang. The mail weighed 47 kilos.
Mr. Ong, the passenger, is an enthusiastic flyer, being a member of the Kuala Lumpur Flying Club, and has a total of approximately 200 flying hours to his credit. He flew from Kuala Lumpur to Penang in his own machine to join the Dorado.

Reward For Slayer Of H.K. Tiger
Big game hunters have a chance of winning a reward by seeking out the tiger or leopard which has recently been seen on several occasions on the hillsides in Kowloon and the New Territories.

A notification issued by the Hon. Inspector General of Police states that a reward of \$50 will be paid to the person or persons responsible for the killing or capture of the beast.
Payment of the reward, it is stated, will be conditional on proof to the satisfaction of the Inspector General of Police.



AN HISTORIC OCCASION
Photograph taken at Kai Tak this morning, shows Captain J. H. Lock handing over the first through air mail from London to Hongkong to Commr. G. F. Hole, Director of Air Services, upon the arrival of R.M.A. Dorado.—Staff Photographer.

Japanese Officers On British Ship PRACTICE WITHIN SHIPPING ACT CLEARANCE MUST BE GIVEN

A case which is probably unique in the history of shipping in Hongkong was brought before Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole, Harbour Master, this morning, when an appeal was made by Captain F. A. Kjelgaard, master of the freighter Bright Vega, whose ship has been detained in Hongkong owing to exception being taken to the fact that, though under the British flag, the vessel carries only two British officers, the Captain and Chief Engineer, the others being Japanese.

Both the Marine Office and Captain Kjelgaard have wired to the Board of Trade, it is understood, and have received replies that there is nothing to prevent the ship sailing from Hongkong with her present crew, owing to a clause in the Merchant Shipping Act which allows British ships which habitually ply outside the United Kingdom to carry a foreign crew.

Following his decision, it is understood that the case was referred to the Attorney General this morning.

RISKY STEP
The Attorney General has decided, it is learned, that the stopping of the ship in Hongkong and the refusal of a clearance certificate would be "too risky," as there is no legislation in the Colony to provide for such a case as this.

The Shipping Act provides that the officers of whatever nationality should have a certificate, but it does not describe the certificate, and action taken in the Colony to force the substitution of British officers for the Japanese officers might not be justified according to law.
The Bright Vega will accordingly be given a clearance certificate to sail for Shanghai and Japan. She intends leaving to-day or to-morrow.

"VICTORY KISSING OUR FLAG" IL DUCE'S MESSAGE TO NATION SEES END OF SANCTIONS

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Rome, Mar. 23.
Signor Benito Mussolini, Italian Dictator, spoke to a crowd in front of his official residence to-day, declaring that the dark clouds which had been hanging over Italy would soon disappear.

This is taken as an intimation that the Dictator expects an end of the League of Nations' sanctions and of hostilities in Ethiopia.

"Victory is kissing our flag in East Africa. The territory our soldiers are conquering is already consecrated to our nation," Signor Mussolini asserted.

He was evidently referring to the League of Nations Covenant, under which sanctions were applied, when he said:
"The vital progress of the Italian people has never been halted by the least pact which, instead of promoting peace, threatens humanity with even vaster wars."—United Press.

LEAGUE MEETING
The League's Committee of thirteen met in London to-day to consider the Ethiopian and Italian replies to the Committee's appeal for negotiations on March 3.
The Committee decided to endeavour to bring the parties together in order to obtain, within the framework and in the spirit of the Covenant, a prompt cessation of hostilities and a definite re-establishment of peace.
The Committee also decided to submit the pretext of the Ethiopian

ETHIOPIANS URGE ARMED LEAGUE AID FRESH APPEAL TO POWERS PROTEST AGAINST USE OF POISON GAS

London, Mar. 23.
The Ethiopian Government has sent a second note to the League of Nations protesting against the use of poison gas by the Italian troops invading Ethiopian territory, and appeals to the League for immediate assistance.

The note states that for fifteen months Ethiopia has been appealing to the League for intervention in one way or another, but no answer has been given.
Now Ethiopia is again appealing, it goes on, under Article XVI of the League Covenant, which calls, first, for effective forms of sanctions, and second, for a combined League of Nations Army to come to the assistance of the beleaguered state, suffering at the hands of a nation which the League has declared to be an aggressor.—Reuter Bulletin Service.

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Rome, Mar. 23.
Marshal Pietro Badoglio's communiqué, received from his field headquarters in Ethiopia to-day, does not mention the reported Ethiopian counter-attack on the northern front, which according to Addis Ababa reports, has met with pronounced success and is personally directed by the Emperor Haile Selassie.

The Italian communiqué claims that four Ethiopian aircraft have been destroyed in the last four days.
It asserts that the bombing attack on Jijiga, reported yesterday, resulted in the destruction of supplies, magazines and depots.

The organisation of the Italian Army's supply system continues as far as the most advanced lines. A bridge 110 metres long over the Takazze River has been completed.
It is officially denied that Italian aeroplanes bombed a British ambulance at Jijiga.—Reuter Special.

JIJIGA CASUALTIES
Harar, Mar. 23.
It is officially stated that fifteen persons were killed during the Italian bombing attack on Jijiga. Four of the 83 wounded have since died.

The wounded include several Arabs who are British subjects.—Reuter Special.
(Continued on Page 5.)

Vital Shanghai Election
Shanghai, Mar. 24.
The most vital municipal election in years, at which the Japanese community is attempting to wrest a seat in the Council of the International Settlement either from the British or American camp, brought approximately 1,000 ratepayers to the polls yesterday.

This is a record for one day's voting in Shanghai, and is about 500 more than the total vote cast in the 1935 election.
The election's outcome, however, will not be known until the polling continues today.

LINCOLNSHIRE ENTRIES GO TO POST TO-MORROW

London, Mar. 23.
The Lincoln flat racing season opened to-day in dull but mild weather on the perfect Carholme track, where the Lincolnshire Handicap will be run on Wednesday.
A record field is expected, as there are thirty-nine probable starters. Owing to the terrible winter, trainers have had little chance of getting their horses fit, however.
Overcast, which finished fourth last year, is regarded as an excellent chance, since he has been trained on the sands, nearby, and the trainer, Russell, hopes to repeat the victory.

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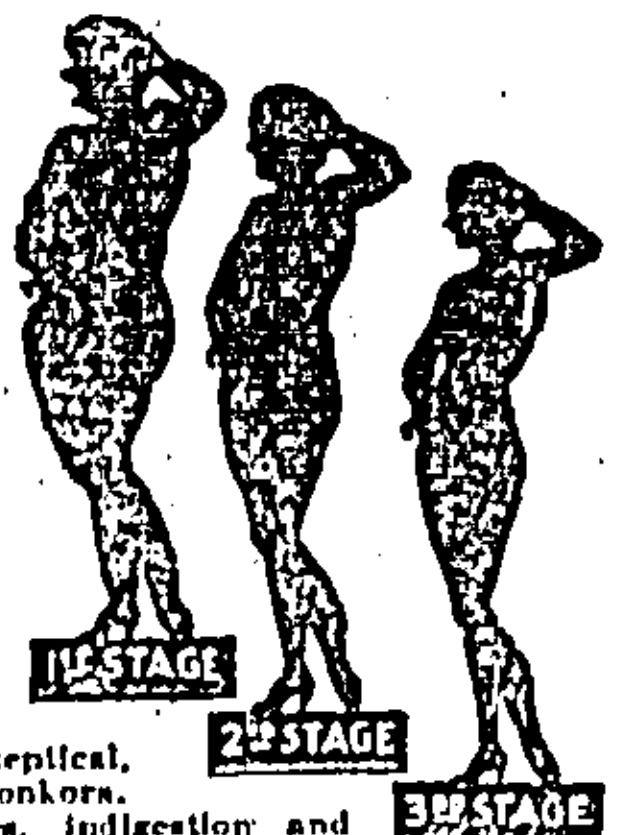
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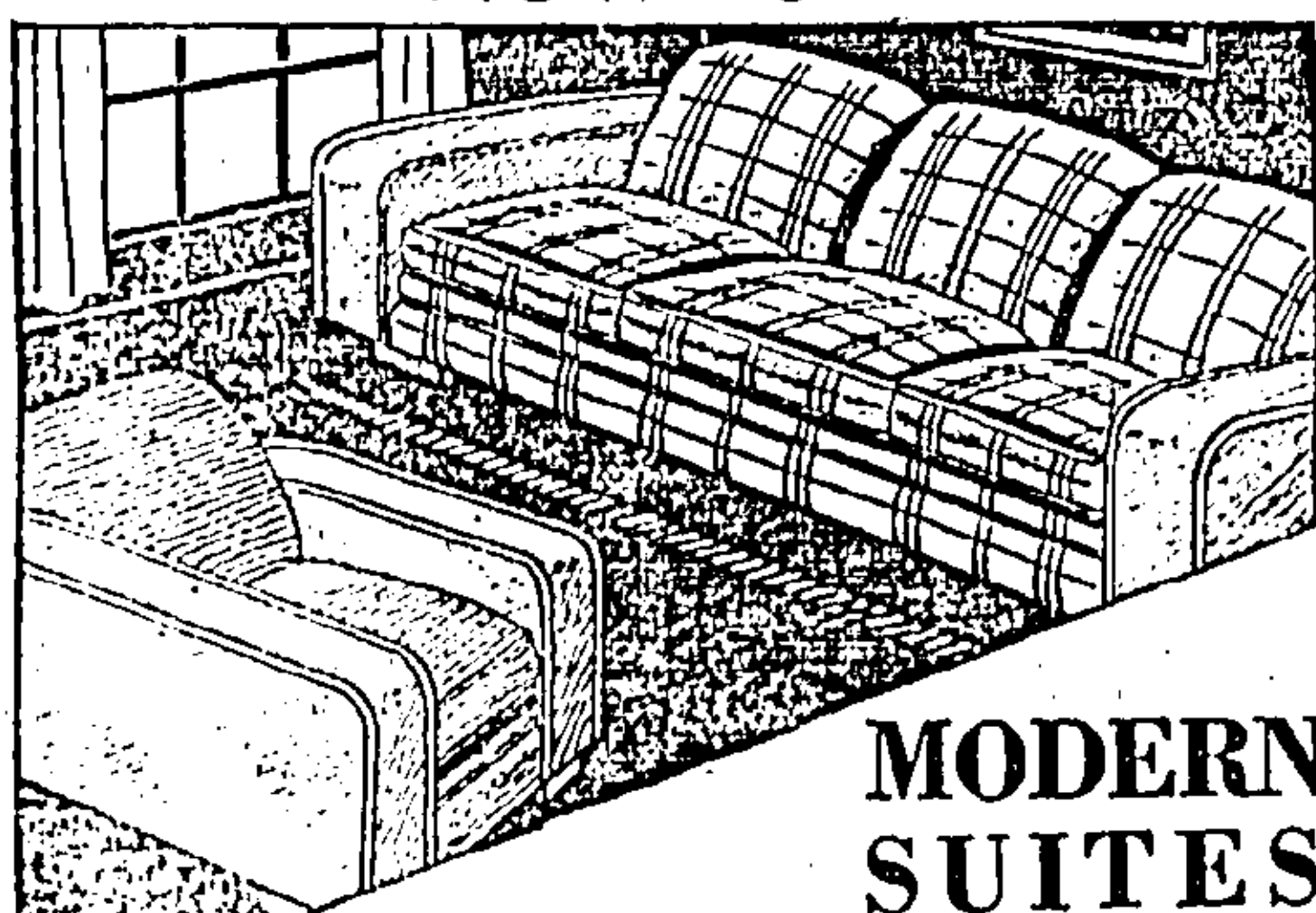
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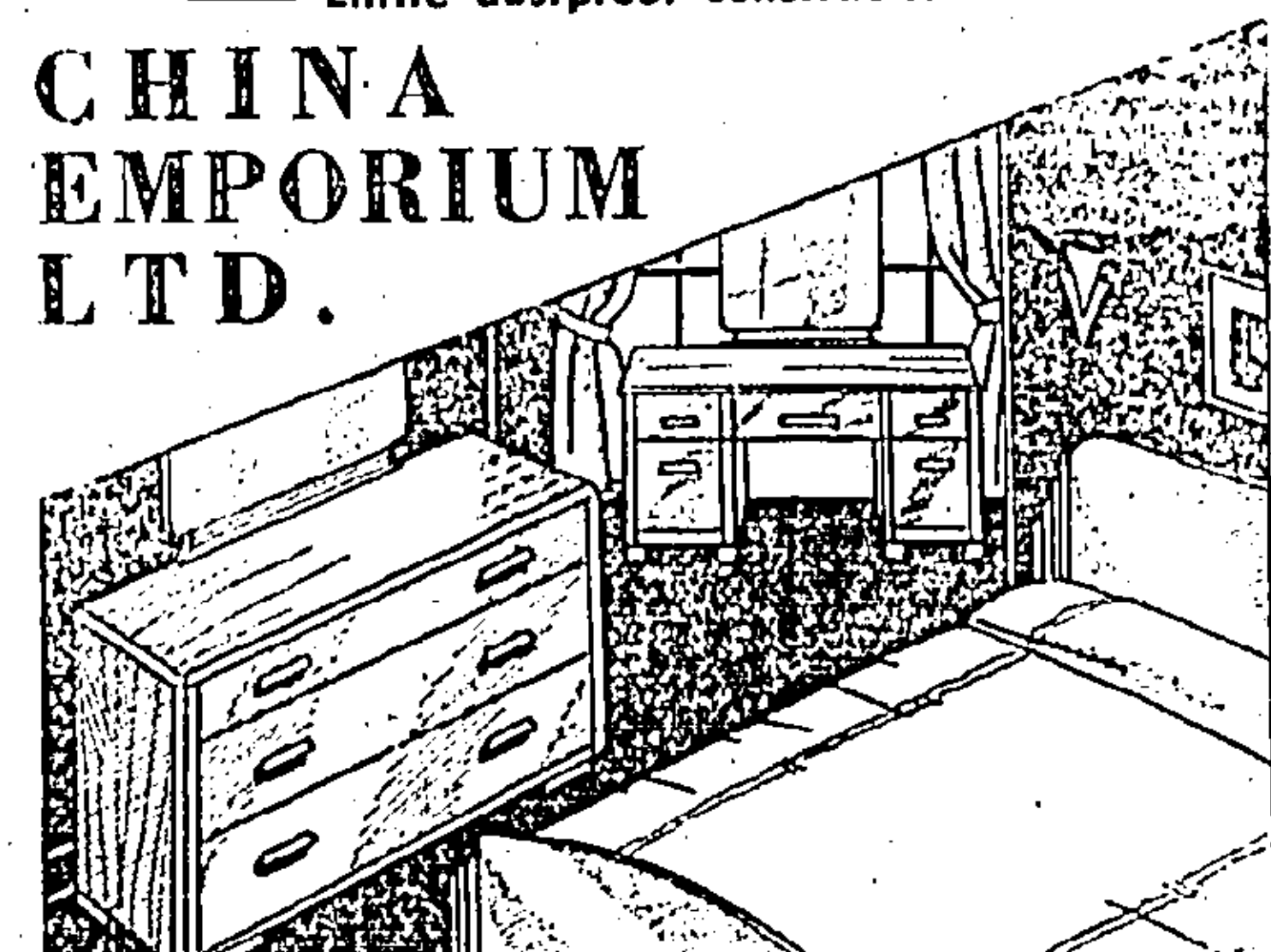
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RUSSIANS REFUSE TO GIVE UP RELIGION

CARNIVAL TIME IN NICE



The carnival season has begun at Nice. Picture shows some of the great dolls in the processions which pass through the streets.

MRS. KENNY LEADS IN "MATERNITY MARATHON"

Toronto, Mar. 15.

Despite the fact her latest child died soon after birth, Mrs. Matthew Kenny is leading Toronto's "Maternity Sweepstakes" with a prize of US \$500,000 waiting for her in October.

The strange will of Charles Vance Millar, awarding \$500,000 to the Toronto woman who had the most children between October, 1926 and October, 1936, did not specify that the children must live. All that is required is that their births be registered.

The son born to Mrs. Kenny was her tenth child since October, 1926. She refused advice of physicians that she go to a hospital and remained in her small frame house here. The child weighed six and a half pounds at birth and apparently was healthy, but died about an hour after being born.

The birth put Mrs. Kenny once child ahead of Mrs. Grace Bagnato, who has had nine children since 1926 and a total of 20 since she was married. Mrs. John Nagle, wife of an unemployed carpenter, also has had nine children since 1926, but there is doubt whether all of them were born in Toronto.

Millar's will specified that all of the children must be born in Toronto.

Mrs. Kenny is 32, and less than five feet tall. Married at the age of 16, the slender, delicate woman has had a total of 16 children. She was particularly saddened by the death of her latest son because she had intended naming him for Millar.

"I am sure we will win all that money anyway," she said.

Millar's friends and business associates believe he was playing a practical joke when he made a will offering a prize for a maternity race. The document was legal, however, and already the executors of his estate are converting bonds and other assets into cash in preparation for the pay-off.

The Maternity Sweepstakes wasn't the only idea Millar had. He earned a vast fortune in gold and silver mines and when he died in 1926 it was found his will had other provisions.

He willed brewery stock to every Protestant minister in Toronto; he

GODLESS LEADER'S GLOOM

40,000 VILLAGE CHURCHES

Moscow, Mar. 6.

DESPITE years of effort on the part of the Godless Society, religion is still holding on in Russia.

Yaroslavsky, a veteran Bolshevik and president of the society, admitted this to-night at a meeting celebrating its tenth anniversary. About half of the population of the Soviet is still religious, he declared. Of the members of the collective farms 34 per cent., and a still larger percentage of the individual peasantry still cling to the old religious beliefs, he continued. Churches are still open in 40,000 villages.

"The young people are with us," he said, "but it is the older people we must win away from religion."

PARACHUTIST'S BOAST

Yaroslavsky called for a redoubled effort to uproot the last remnants of religion from the country.

Following his address, Bassalova, head of the women's division of the Young Communist League, declared, "My children will know God only as a word in the dictionary."

Nina Kamneva, a young blonde girl parachute jumper, who holds the world record for delayed jumps, declared, amid laughter, "she left the meeting, 'I have flown high in the air, made many jumps, and I never saw any God or angels.'"

PRAYERS ON THE FARMS

The Hall of Columns, which was a nobleman's club in pre-revolution days, was crowded with 2,000 delegates from all parts of the Soviet Union, representing 5,000,000 members of the Godless Society, who, with ringing sound, promised to continue the drive to liquidate religion in the country.

The hall was decorated with anti-religious posters, including a huge photograph of Jewish members on the collective farms praying hard.

CHINESE SWORD IN WOUNDING CHARGE

A Chinese sword was produced at Old-street Police Court one day last month, when Harry Gold, aged 32, of Butler-street, Shore-ditch, was charged on remand with maliciously wounding Ernest Williams by striking him with the sword. He was charged further with being armed with a felonious weapon with intent to commit a felonious act.

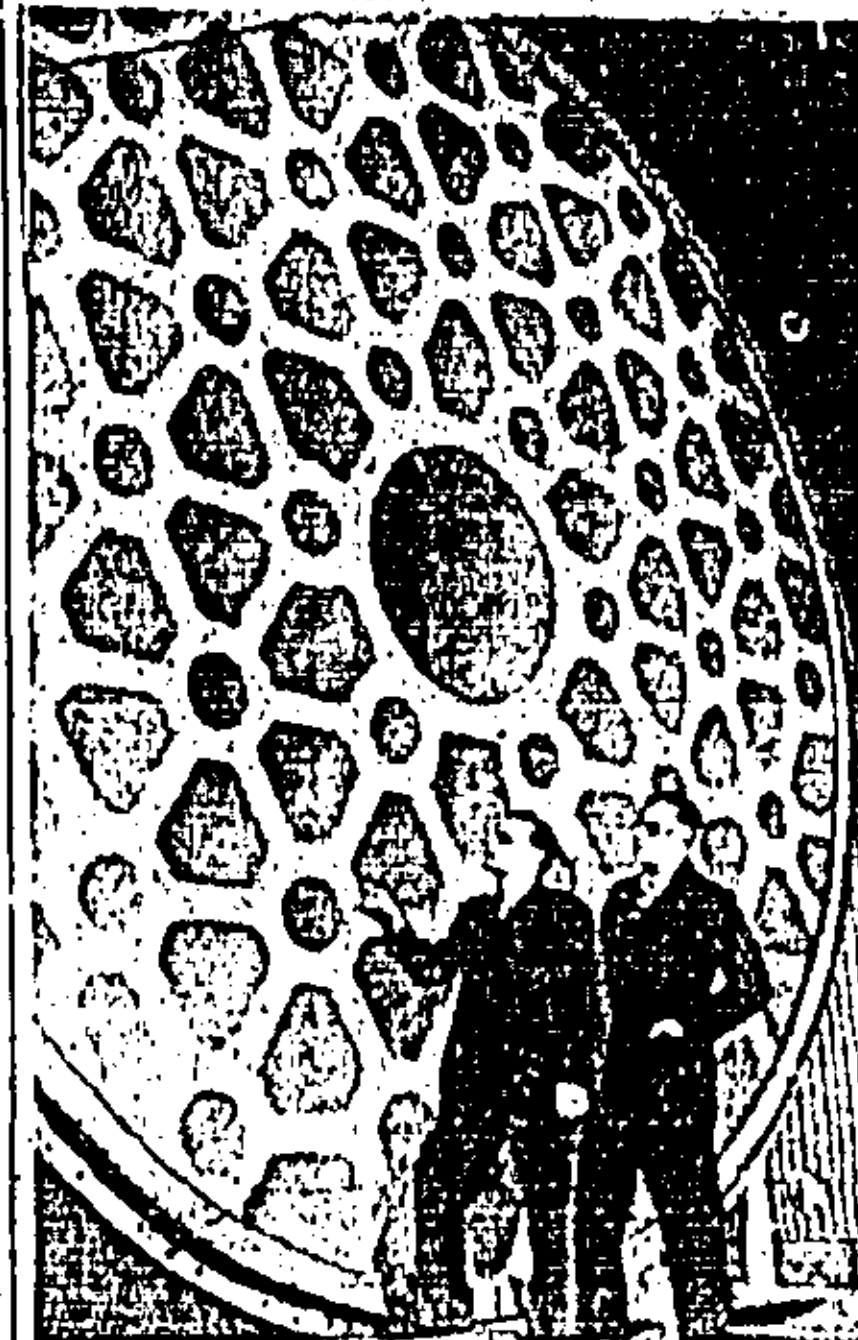
Both charges were dismissed, but Gold was bound over for 12 months to keep the peace.

A police-constable said that he saw Williams outside a public-house, pointing to Gold. He said: "This man has just wounded me with a sword."

When Gold was told he would be arrested, said the constable, he replied: "I had the sword to defend myself, as I thought they were going to do for me."

left shares in the Ontario Jockey Club to men who had crusaded against horse racing; Christian ministers in Walkerville, Sandwich and Windsor received stock in the Kenilworth Jockey Club; shares in O'Keefe's Brewery, long controlled by the Orange Lodge, an anti-Catholic organisation in Toronto.—United Press.

"EYE" FOR GIANT TELESCOPE



This telescope mirror has been shaped for the largest telescope in the world, on Mount Palomar, California. It is the largest piece of optical glass ever moulded and weighs 20 tons.

MYSTERY OF EASTER ISLAND SOLVED?

Honolulu, Mar. 16.

The "mystery" of Easter Island's colossal statues and the origin of its inhabitants has been lifted through matter-of-fact archaeological research, according to the Pan-Pacific Press bureau.

Dr. Alfred Metraux, French ethnologist who recently joined the staff of Honolulu's Bishop Museum, pointed out that the large statues which have puzzled observers since the first white men visited Easter could have been moved into place by hand.

The statues, Dr. Metraux was quoted as saying, weigh only five or six tons, and could easily have been moved from their local quarries and set in place on the seashore by hand labour. Four hundred men could drag them with ropes of native weaving.

As to the population of the island, which often has been described as the remnant of the people of a "lost continent," Dr. Metraux advanced a theory of environmental modification of races common to the South Seas.

He suggested the Easter Islanders are related to the Maori of New Zealand and other Polynesians. According to his calculations, based on observation of variations in customs, he calculated they arrived on the island about the Twelfth century. Once established, he said, a lack of timber coupled with an abundance of soft rock, easily carved, modified their culture.

The Easter Island script on wooden tablets which has long interested scientists and aroused considerable speculation was described by Dr. Metraux as not a true written language, but more likely a memory aid to assist in reciting tribal sacred legends.

Dr. Metraux visited Easter Island last year as a representative of the Paris Museum of Ethnology, with an expedition aboard the Belgian training ship Mercator. He joined the Bishop Museum, he said, for the advantages it offered in studying archaeological and ethnological history of the Pacific.—United Press.

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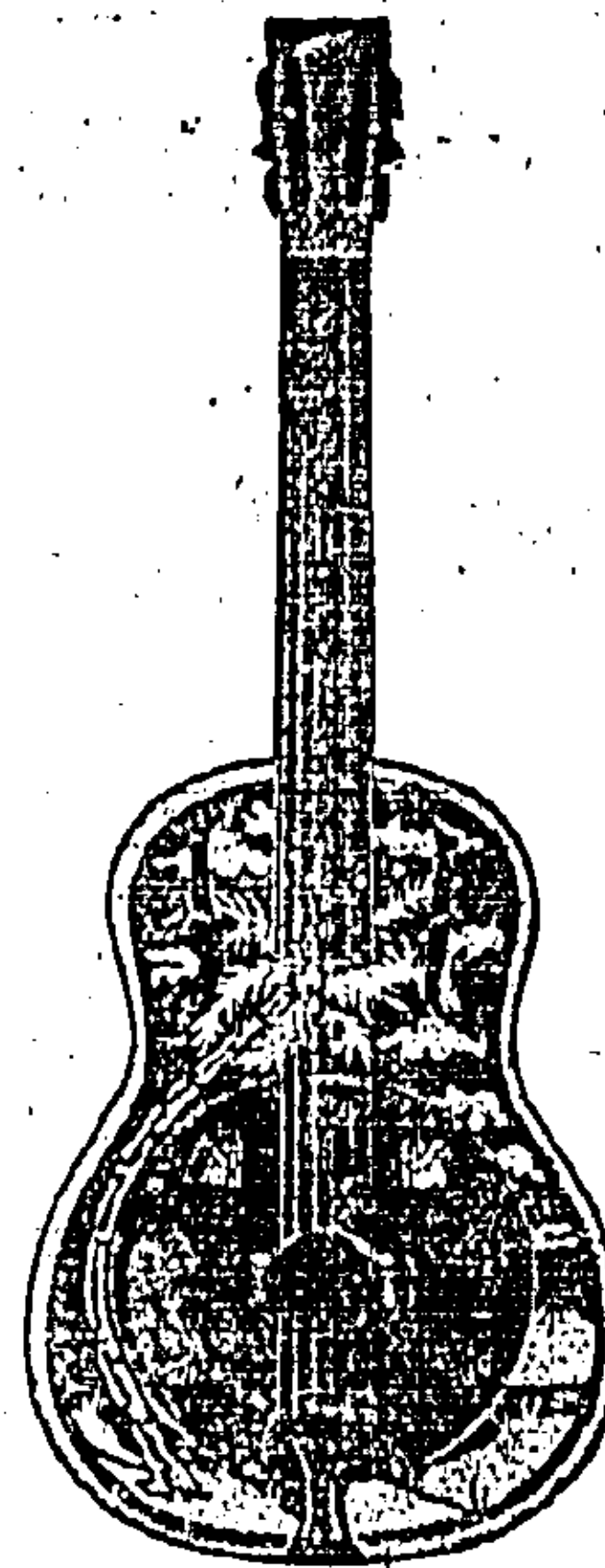
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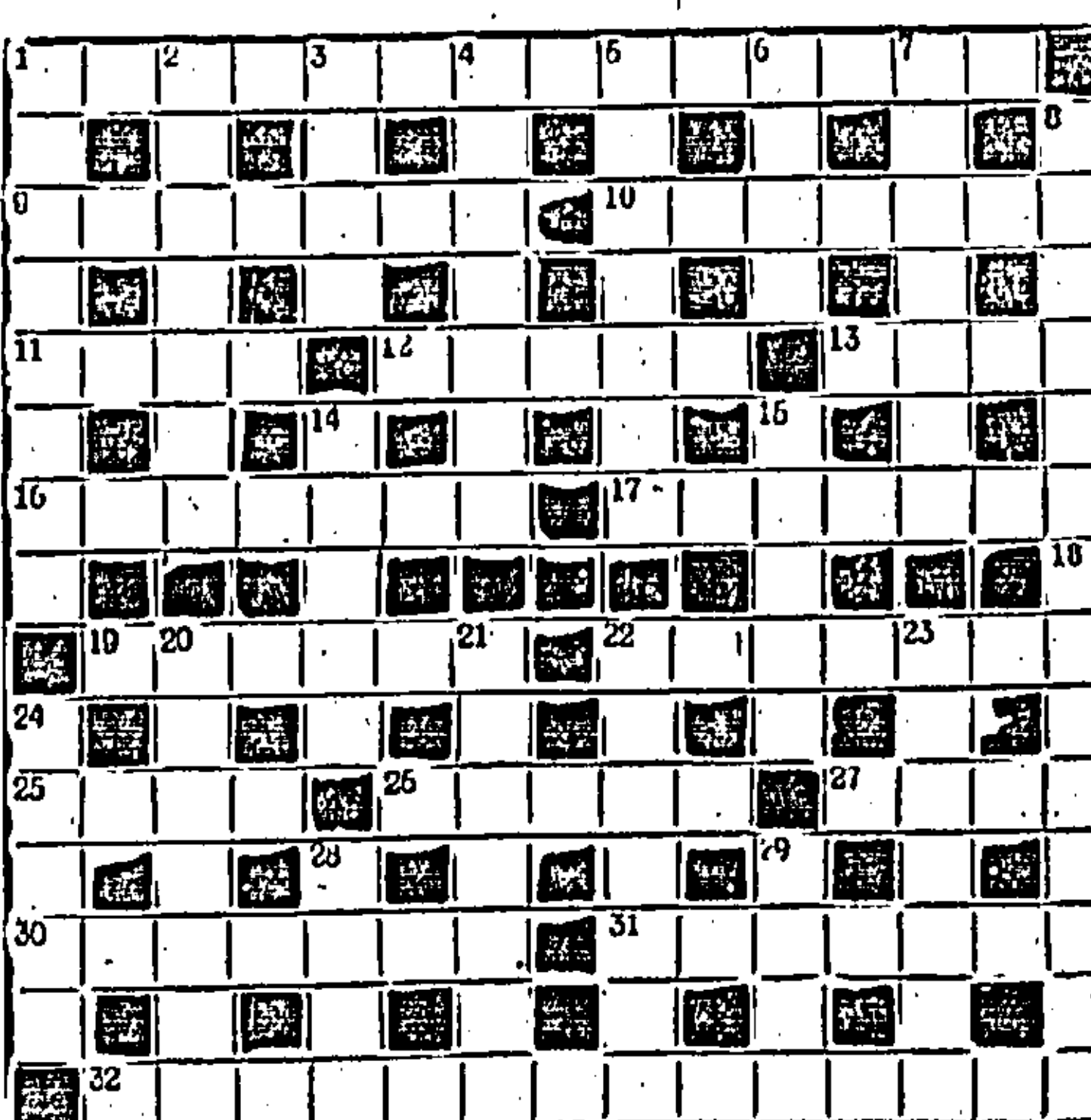
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- It does not require an entomologist to discover the cross-word beetle in this country.
- For leather, when in hurry.
- Why continue to impede the progress of the noble lord?
- How fit and the secret has been divulged.
- These trees have a very perceptible bend.
- This might describe a plate: or you might prefer a refusal.
- Container for breakfast food.
- A rising affair of which everyone is in favour.
- Wander free as air. Sounds capital, doesn't it?
- The fish that did, and made the whale wall.
- Channel swimmer.
- What a sight to see Highland John in drink.
- Times will be OK.
- Almost every word I write appears in books they complete!

DOWN

- Sounds a good description of Sir William's supper, however you regard it.
- One who will cramp your style—a dark man about middle-age.
- This sometimes begins its career as Private and ends as Major—but not often.
- Roman rulers of long ago.
- You'll need assistance about the old fiddler: this, of course, indicates, pressure.

- If it should send you to sleep, it will give you something to put over you, anyway.
- Put in above a goddess in the United States.
- Canning to get right behind in the boat— isn't it?
- This, comrade, puts an end to the game.
- Bell sound.
- A vulgar catch as is shown in the expedition of the younger Cyrus against Artaxerxes.
- Showing how the ungrateful one in 9 became stony.
- South Belgravia.
- Part of one's bedding.
- Work for all.
- May become a woman.
- The prefix of negation.
- Stay.

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50 LUXURY LINERS FOR BRITAIN BIG BID FOR REAL SEA SUPREMACY

London, Mar. 15.

British shipping companies are set to spend £30,000,000 in the next two years on a fleet of fifty luxury liners to span the trade routes of the British Empire.

These do not include the sister ship to the giant "Queen Mary" which the Cunard-White Star is already tentatively planning to build, and two or three smaller faster ships which are reportedly under consideration to maintain a subsidiary service to the Queen Mary.

The first of the new fleet—the 25,100-ton Union Castle streamlined luxurious Motor Liner "Stirling Castle", largest motor vessel ever built in British shipyards—has just sailed from Southampton on her maiden voyage to the Cape of Good Hope.

In the shipbuilding yards of the Clyde, where the Queen Mary was constructed, two steamers for the Bombay service and a fruit-carrying passenger motor ship for Jamaica are presently nearing construction. On the Tyne a passenger and fruit-carrier motor ship and a similar vessel for South Africa are on the stocks. The 24,000-ton Orient passenger steamer Orodes is also being built at Barrow-in-Furness.

Belfast, until recently one of the hardest hit of all shipbuilding centres in Great Britain, is constructing eight passenger vessels for Empire routes. These include the 25,000-ton Athlone Castle for the South African run of the Union Castle line; two passenger and cargo motor ships for the Union Castle's Round-Africa services of 15,000 tons apiece; an 11,000-ton motor ship for an Australian company; and a 10,000-ton cargo and passenger motor ship for the Lamport and Holt service.

It is reported that the keels of other ships will also be laid in the near future.—United Press.

£10,000,000 ARMAMENTS ORDER

ROUMANIA'S CONTRACT WITH FRANCE

Paris, Mar. 6.
ROUMANIA has ordered armaments worth nearly £10,000,000 in France, according to a Bukarest message to the Agence Economique et Financiere explaining the Franco-Roumanian trade and financial agreement recently signed in Paris.

The principal aim of the treaty is to provide Roumania with sufficient francs to pay for the armaments, the interest on Roumanian loans issued on the Paris market, overdue instalments of commercial debts, and for other needs.

To facilitate transfer Roumania has consented to hand over to a French group for 12 years three-quarters of the State levy in kind on Roumanian petroleum. This guarantee is estimated to be worth from 90 to 100 million francs a year.

The contract for the sale of this levy has not yet been completed. It is to be signed in Bukarest before April 1.

FINANCIAL RESOURCES

The trade and financial agreements, which will come into force only when the contract has been signed, provides that if Roumanian finds financial resources to cover her armaments order, she can pay for these in three years, and thus regain free possession of the coded portion of the petroleum levy.

The French Government has granted Roumania a small increase in import quotas for maize, barley, and certain dried vegetables.

In addition, France undertakes to buy from Roumania a quantity of petrol for aviation.

There are also certain adjustments with regard to commercial payments. Cash payment for French goods are reduced from 50 to 45 per cent. of their value, and payment on sums overdue from 10 to 5 per cent. Foreign currencies at the free disposal of Roumania are increased from 40 to 50 per cent. These various measures will procure another 20 to 22 million francs per annum.—Routier.

Iron Lung Has Kept Him Alive

San Francisco, Mar. 15.
ONE of the most remarkable scientific experiments of all time is drawing to an unsuccessful close in Alameda County Hospital, California.

In April 1931 eighteen-year-old Raymond Rambo, suffering from infantile paralysis, was given up for dead in a last effort to prolong his life doctors placed him in an "iron lung."

For 690 days a clanking respirator has pumped life-giving breath into young Raymond's wasted body.

Now his strength is diminishing as a result of acute stomach cramps, and the doctors have little hope of further prolonging his artificial life.

Animal Goliath Conquered By A David

Denver, Colo., Mar. 10.
Posagawame is dead.

And a David of the animal world is strutting around boasting of his conquest of a Goliath.

Frank C. Miller, owner of Trail's End ranch, 40 miles north of Fort Collins, Colo., on the Cache La Poudre river, told of the unexpected end of Posagawame, better known as Poss, leader of the buffalo herd maintained on the huge ranch.

Poss won leadership of the herd in 1931, after years of apprenticeship, by killing "Shorty," erstwhile chief.

Since that time Poss killed, in combat, three pretenders to the throne, two bull elk and two deer, besides an unknown number of smaller animals.

But recently Miller said he found Poss' body lying in the snow.

A postmortem examination was made and it was discovered that the "killer" had fallen victim to one of the most insignificant members of the animal kingdom, a porcupine.—United Press.

CHILDLESS WIFE'S TRAGIC DEVOTION

"Thought She Was A Drag"

Northwood Hills (Middlesex), Mar. 1.
A YOUNG Congregational minister from Birmingham told, in the West Middlesex coroner's court here today, a tragic story of his wife's devotion and her longing for children she could never have.

The Rev. Herbert Alfred Hamilton, now living at Uphill Road, Mill Hill, described how four days ago he found his wife—fair-haired, twenty-six-years old Mrs. Alice Winifred Hamilton, lying dead in front of a burning electric fire in an empty house in Joel Street, Northwood Hills, where for six months of last year they had lived together.

He said that soon after their marriage six years ago, his wife had an operation which prevented her from having children.

Specialist Care
A few months later another operation had to be performed, and three years ago he left Birmingham and came to London to put his wife in the care of a Harley-street specialist.

She had been in consultation with him ever since.

"The mental strain on her was very severe," Mr. Hamilton explained. "She was very disappointed that she could not have children and also because she thought she was being a drag on me with her illness."

"We therefore adopted two children," he added. "She loved them very much indeed."

WORLD'S BAGPIPE CHAMPION



At the recent bagpipe championships of England and Scotland the girl shown above, Sheila McKey, was elected world's champion girl bagpipe player. She is showing a compatriot some of the 700 prizes she has won.

GIRL RENOUNCES STAGE FAME FOR FORTUNE

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"OLD FASHIONED FATHER'S" DEATHBED WISH

BEAUTIFUL 21-years-old Betty Steele, of Belmont, Surrey—given the choice by her dying father—has decided to share a £64,000 fortune rather than seek fame on the stage.

Her father's ban extends to films, broadcasting, and the making of gramophone records.

"I have no intention of going on the stage—absolutely none," Miss Steele said.

"At school I had an interest in amateur theatricals and appeared occasionally," she went on.

"But it was only a passing fancy; gone for ever now."

GIRLISH BOAST

But up to the time of his death, Mr. Charles R. Steele, senior partner of Francis Miller and Steele, old-established solicitors, of Finsbury-square, E.C., remembered his daughter's girlish ambition. Her enthusiastic boast, four years ago "One day I am going to be a great stage star"—wounded him to the day of his death.

"Father was very old-fashioned in his views on these things," Miss Steele declared. "He wished to be sure that my early interest in the stage would not be revived."

One of Mr. Steele's last actions was to add this codicil to his will:

"Should she give, in public, any performance by way of acting, singing, dancing, playing any musical instrument or giving any performance with a

Headmaster Sent To Prison

He Tells Judge Of Experiment At Hotel

A HEADMASTER was sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment at the Old Bailey this month for offences concerning boys.

The man, Stanley Charles Beresford, aged forty-two, was formerly headmaster of St. Augustine's College, Walton-on-Thames, which he founded in September, 1934.

The school was closed last December.

Beresford pleaded not guilty to charges concerning four boys.

Mr. Laurence Vine, prosecuting, said the charges could conveniently be divided into three groups, all referring to boys less than sixteen years of age.

The first three charges related to a boy of ten, who, according to the prosecution, was taken by Beresford in a car to an hotel at East Grinstead.

Beresford signed the register "The Hon. C. B. Beresford and son."

The second group referred to incidents which, it was alleged, occurred in the dormitory of the school itself.

The third group concerned a boy at an hotel at Westcliff-on-Sea.

Beresford, in the witness-box, declared that he took one of the boys to the hotel at Westcliff because he wanted to prove that he could take a poor boy of elementary education for about three months and completely alter his outlook on life.

"FREEDOM"

Of his school, he said: "I believed in giving boys freedom and establishing a friendly relationship between masters and boys."

Beresford was found guilty of offences at East Grinstead and Westcliff and not guilty of offences at the school.

Judge Dodson, passing sentence, said the jury had tried to give Beresford the benefit of any possible doubt.

"The offences of which you have been found guilty are most grave because they affect the youth, and the youth of to-day is the manhood of to-morrow, on whom the responsibilities of citizenship rest," said the judge.

"It adds to the gravity of the case that you were supposed to be the guardian and guide."

CEMETERY CHAPEL AS "REVOLTING" HORROR

Dean Says It Is Only Fit for the Burial of an Ass

A REMARKABLE attack on the local cemetery chapel is made by the Dean of Bocking (Essex), the Very Rev. Edgar Rogers.

Writing in his magazine, he says:

"It has been, I confess, a surprise to me to find how rarely the bodies of the faithful departed are brought to church on the way to burial—used as I have been in other parishes to that most Christian custom. I grieve that it is not usual in Bocking, and I grieve the more because the cemetery chapel is wholly unsuitable for any Christian rite."

"It is ugly, devoid of any sort of Christian symbol or propriety which can suggest that glory of our faith—the Resurrection of the Dead. I say deliberately it is, in my opinion, an offence to any decent Christian feeling, an insult to the departed, a needless aggravation of any mourner's grief and utterly unworthy of any community which cares for the honour and glory of God."

"It might be, as so many cemetery chapels are throughout the country, a shrine of comfort and peace, where not only on the day of a burial the hearts of mourners might be uplifted and the dreadful sorrow of bereavement eased, but all day and every day a tender and sacred spot, where prayer and recollection could unite the living and the dead."

"As it is, in its hideous and revolting horror, it adds to suffering and offers no more reverence than we would give to 'the burial of an ass.'"

"It is utterly repellent and hateful. There is no need for such disgrace. The cost of making it decent would be infinitesimal—a halfpenny or a penny on the rates for one single half year, would be

sufficient—a very little more would make it a holy place of beauty and comfort. The powers that be need not fear that such expenditure would expose them to criticism."

Undertakers' Charges

"Meanwhile, we urge that the bodies of Church people, reverencing as we do those bodies because, 'The Word was made flesh,' should always be brought to church and the heathen chapel at the cemetery avoided."

"I am told that some undertakers charge more if the body is taken to church. Very well, as a practical matter, patronise those firms who don't, and let us all make a determined set against the sheer indecency of the present cemetery chapel."

Does Not Agree

Mr. C. J. Baker, chairman of the Braintree and Bocking Council cemetery committee, when told of the Dean's criticism, said:

"I do not wish to enter into any controversy with the Dean, but I certainly do not agree with him. I take the view that if there is any complaint to be made it should be made either to my committee or to the council."

"The chapel in question is an old building and dates back to the days of burial boards."

Mr. Rogers, who has been Dean of Bocking since 1931, said: "Complaint has already been made. The Bishop of Chelmsford raised the matter with the council two years ago, but nothing has been done."

HOLLYWOOD WEDDING

Hollywood (California), Mar. 6.
Lester Staefen married Miss Ruth Moody, cinema actress. George Lott was best man.

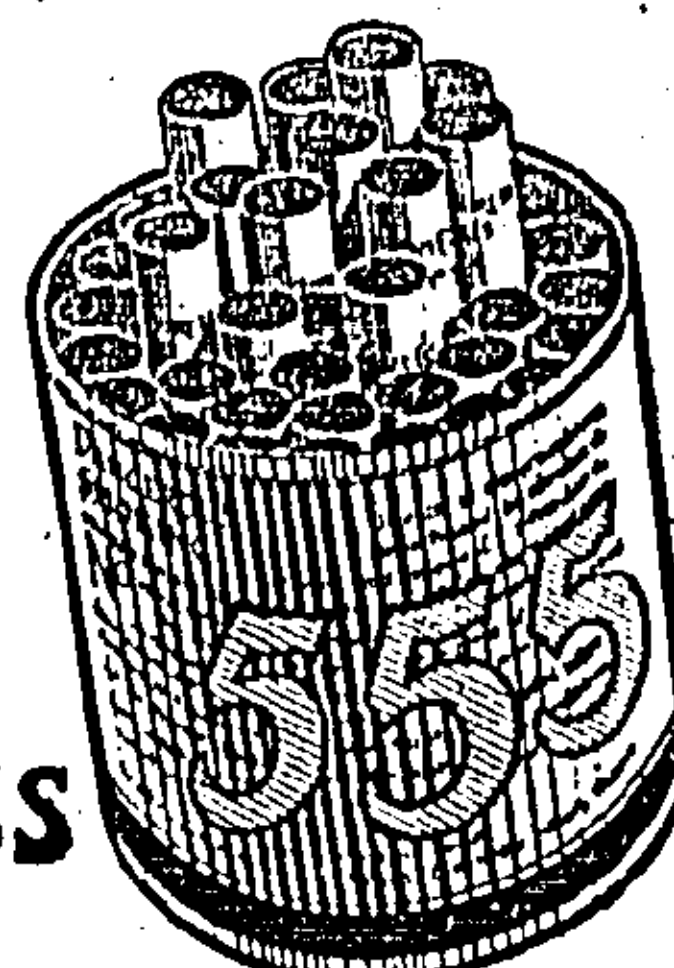


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All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 2nd April, 1936, or they will not be recognized. Damaged Packages will be examined by the Company's Surveyor Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of the Consignees at 10.00 a.m. on Saturday, 28th March, 1936. Consignees must have a Revenue Officer in attendance when any dutiable goods are examined by the Company's Surveyor.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

R. OHL.

Agent.

Hongkong, 22nd March, 1936.

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NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the THIRTY-NINTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held in the Jacobean Room, 1st floor, Hong Kong Hotel, Pedder Street, Hongkong on FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936, at 12.30 p.m. for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1935; Electing Directors and Auditors, and for the transaction of any other Ordinary business of the Company.

NOTICE is also hereby given that the Transfer Books of the Company will be CLOSED from TUESDAY, 17th MARCH, 1936, until FRIDAY, 27th MARCH, 1936, both days inclusive, during which period no transfers of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
D. L. KING,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1936.

THE HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

Notice To Shareholders.

The Sixty-seventh Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on Friday, the 27th March, 1936, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1935.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 13th to the 27th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

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General Managers,
The Hongkong Fire Insurance Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1936.

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Notice to Shareholders.

The Thirty-first Annual General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co. Ltd., Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Building, on Wednesday, 8th April, 1936, at noon for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1935.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 28th March to 8th April, 1936, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO. LTD.
General Managers.
Hongkong, 18th March, 1936.

CHINA ENTERTAINMENT & LAND INVESTMENT CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Sixth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, King's Theatre Building, 6th floor, on Monday, the 30th day of March, 1936, at 12 o'clock, noon, to receive the Directors' Report, and Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1935, to elect Directors and Auditors and to transact such other business as may be properly transacted at an Ordinary General Meeting of the Company.

And notice is further hereby given that the register and transfer books of the Company will be closed from the 23rd to the 30th day of March, 1936, both days inclusive.

LIANG CHI HAO,
Managing Director.
Hongkong, 19th March, 1936.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held in the Office of the Company, 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on Monday, 30th March, 1936, at Noon, for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1935.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 21st to 30th March, 1936, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
E. COCK,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 12th March, 1936.

NEW YORK STOCK EXCHANGE

MARKET UPWARD YESTERDAY

New York, March 23. Swan, Culbertson & Frits Wall Street Journal comment on 21/3 market: "The first-quarter profits of the automobile industry, excluding the Ford Company, may be 35 per cent above those of last year. There is little reason to fear any liquidation of securities as a direct outcome of flood, but business will probably feel its effect for some weeks, hurting retail sales and also sales of automobiles. The chief threat to the market's steady advance is that the European money market is now heavily invested here might be withdrawn if the war threats end. In the meantime, the nearby outlook must be obscure until a definite volume of trust is made either through the high or the low points which were established earlier this month."

S. C. & F. New York office cables: Stocks: Securities were in quiet demand and the market closed slightly higher. The Consolidated Gas Company reported to register \$70,000,000 3 1/2-4 per cent. 10-20 year refunding debentures. The Otis Elevator Company in 1935 earned 85 cents per share, against a loss of \$1,000,000 the previous year. The Times business index for the week is 94.5 as compared with 94.0 the previous week. Cotton: The market is apparently

SHARE PRICES

The following is the list of local share quotations issued this morning.

Banks.

H. K. Banks, \$1,660 n.
H. K. Banks (Lon. Reg.), \$101 n.
Chartered Bank, \$14 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank, A. and B., \$30 1/2 n.
Mercantile Bank C., \$13 1/2 n.
East Asia Bank, \$73 n.

Insurance.

Canton Ins., \$270 n.
Union Ins., \$562 1/2 n.
China Underwriters, \$1.00 n.
China Fire, \$480 n.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$250 n.
Internat'l Asse., \$3 1/2 n.

Shipping.

Douglas, \$36 n.
H.K. Steamboats, \$5 1/2 n.
Indo-Chinas (Ref.), \$30 n.
Indo-Chinas (Def.), \$20 n.
Shell (Bearer), \$9 1/4 n.
Union Waterboats, \$13 n.

Mining.

Antafoka, \$2.05 n.
Balatoc, \$21 1/2 n.
Baguio Gold, 20 cts. n.
Benguet Consolidated, \$18.40 n.
Benguet Exp., 18 cts. n.
Big Wedge, 25 cts. n.
Demonstration, 61 cts. n.
Gold Creek, 16 cts. n.
Gold River, 7 cts. n.
Ilogons, 65 cts. n.
I. X. L., \$1.25 n.
Kailan, 11/6 n.
Langkats (Single), \$10 n.
Masbate, 66 cts. n.
Shal Explorations, \$4 1/2 n.
Shal Loans, \$4 n.
Rauba, \$11 1/2 n.
San Mauricio, 86 cts. n.
United Paracale 59 cts. n.
Venz: Goldfield \$3 1/2 n.

Docks etc.

H.K. Wharves (old), \$92 n.
H.K. & W. Docks \$9 n.
Providents (old), \$1.35 n.
Providents (new), 20 cts. n.
Hongkong (old), \$190 n.
New Engineering, \$4 n.
Shanghai Docks, \$79 n.

Cotton Mills.

Ewo Cotton's Sh., \$8 1/2 n.
Shal Cottons (old), \$70 n.
Shal Cottons (new), \$40 n.
Zong Sing, \$12 n.
Wing On Textiles, \$25 n.

Land & Hotels etc.

H. and S. Hotels, \$4.25 n.
H.K. Lands, \$20 1/2 n.
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\$100 b.
Shal Lands, \$18 n.
Metropolitan Lands, \$10 n.
Humphries, \$9.50 n.
H.K. Realities, \$5 n.
Chinese Estates, \$84 n.
China Realities, \$4 n.
China Debentures, \$60 n.

Public Utilities.

H.K. Tramways, \$10.60 b.
Peak Trams, (old), \$7 n.
Peak Trams, (new), \$3 n.
Star Ferries, \$84 n.
Yau-mat Ferries, (old) \$19 n.
China Lights, \$10.60 b.
China Lights, (new), \$7 1/2 n.
H.K. Electric, \$62 1/2 b.
Macao Electric, \$20 n.
Sandakan Lights, \$5 n.
Telephone (old), \$25.15 b.
Telephone (new), \$9 n.
China Buses, \$11 1/2 n.
Singapore Traction, 21/- b.
Singapore Prof 26/- n.

Industrial.

Malabon Sugars, \$8.40 n.
Cald: Macg. (old), \$19 1/2 n.
Cald: Macg. (Pref.), \$15 n.
Canton Ices, \$1 1/2 n.
Cement, \$8.10 b.
H. K. Ropes, \$4 1/2 n.

Stores &c.

Dairy Farm, \$20 n.
Watson, \$4.85 n.
Lane Crawford, \$6 1/2 n.
MacIntosh, \$5 n.
Sinceres, \$1.80 n.
Wm. Powell, 70 cts. n.
Wing On (H.K.), \$65 n.

Miscellaneous.

H.K. Entertainments, \$4.70 n.
S. C. Enterprise \$1.35 n.
Macao "Gryphon", \$2 n.
Constructions (old), \$1 1/2 n.
Constructions (new), 50 cts. n.
Vibro Piling, \$4 n.
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 G. & Bond, 94 n.
H. K. Govt. 4% Loan 4 1/2 p.m. 5.
H.K. Govt. 3 1/2% Loan par. n.
Wallace Harpers \$4 n.

well liquidated but it is dormant. The new crop programme and the disposal plan of Government stocks of cotton are lagging.

Wheat: An acreage of 70,000,000 is estimated this year, the largest since 1923. Forecast of rains in the South-West has caused a bearish sentiment in spite of reported dust storm. The visible supply has decreased by 1,698,000 bushels here and decreased by 395,000 bushels in Canada. The visible supply of corn shows an increase of 333,000 bushels. Rubber: The strike is now settled and normal operations are probable within a week.

REUTER QUOTATIONS

Dow Jones Averages: March 21. March 23.

30 Industrials 150.95 150.2
20 Rails 47.10 47.53
20 Utilities 31.76 32.24
40 Bonds 102.24 102.23
11 Commodity Index 57.13 56.4

March 20. March 23.

Paris 74.59/64 74.61/64
Geneva 15.16 15.14
Berlin 12.27 12.29
Milan 62.7 62.5/16
Athens 617 617
Shanghai 4.96/7/16 4.96
New York 4.96/7/16 4.96
Amsterdam 7.264 7.274
Vienna 20 1/2 20 1/2
Prague 110 1/2 110 1/2
Bucharest 670 670
Madrid 33.5/32 33.5/32
Hankow 110 1/2 110 1/2
Hongkong 1/32 1/32
Bombay 1/64 1/64
Brussels 29.29 29.29
Monte Video 39 1/2 39 1/2
Belgrade 217 217
Yokohama 4.974 4.974
Tientsin 1/1.31/32 1/1.31/32
Tlo 4 1/2 4 1/2
Silver (Spot) 10.13/16 10.13/16
Silver (forward) 10 1/2 10 1/2
War Loan 104 1/2 106.9/10

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Selling.

T.T. Demand 1/3 1/4
T.T. Singapore 1/3 1/4
T.T. Shanghai 1/3 1/4
T.T. India 1/3 1/4
T.T. Japan 86 1/2
T.T. Frisco & New York 32
T.T. Java 46 1/2
T.T. Franco 4.83
T.T. Manila 149 1/2
T.T. Bangkok 4.83
T.T. Saigon 6.96
T.T. Lisbon 6.96

Buying.

4 m/s. L/C 1/4 1/4
4 b/s. D/P 1/4 1/4
4 m/s. L/C 1/4 1/4
4 m/s. San Frisco & New 33 1/2
4 m/s. Franco 5.10
New York-London 4.95 1/2

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Monte Video 39 1/2 39 1/2
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March

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Halifax March 25.

Saloon March 26.

Shanghai March 26.

Amoy March 26.

Japan March 26.

Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver B.C., 7th March)

Japan and Shanghai March 27.

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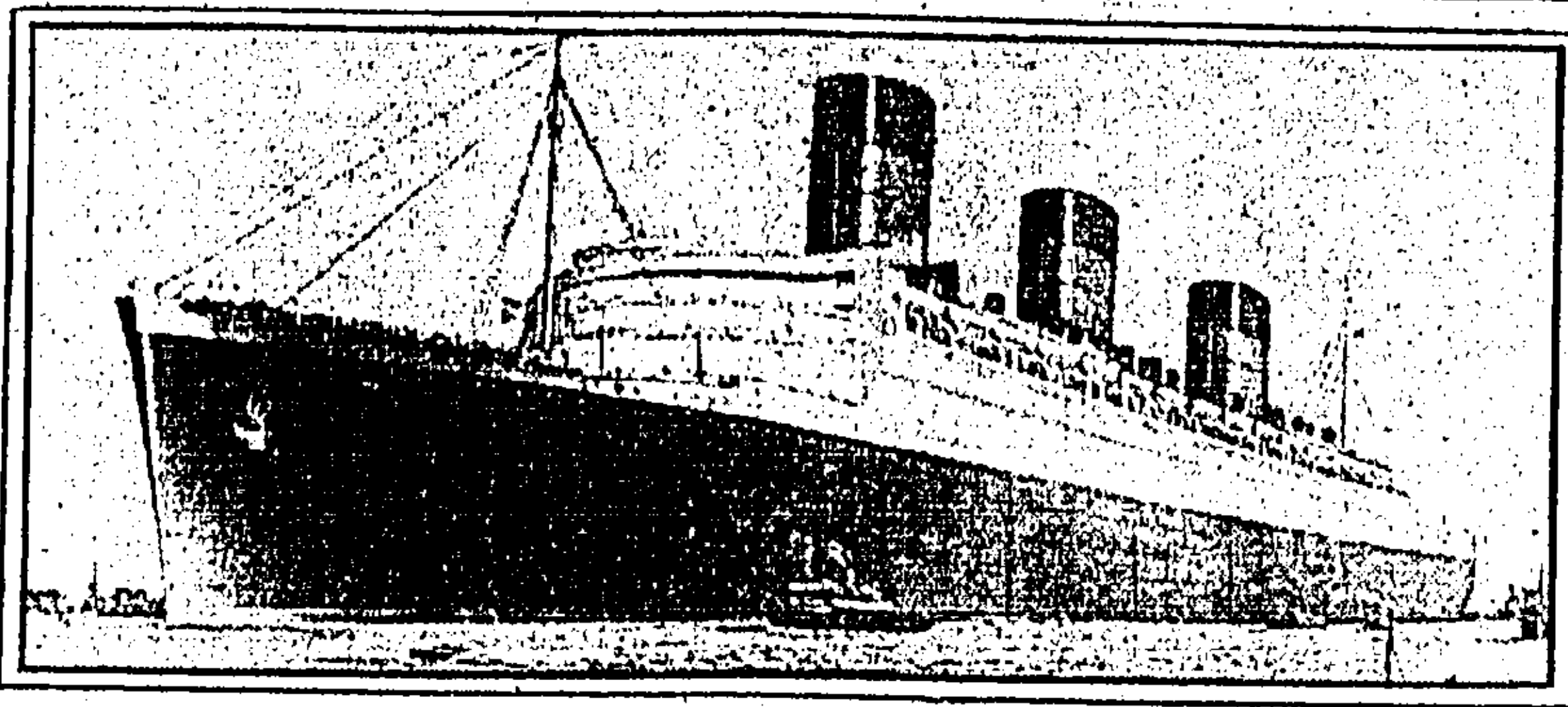


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ceeding down river for a distance of twenty-seven miles.

BRITISH POINT OF VIEW

(Continued from Page 1)

Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, stated that in the course of his conversations with Herr von Ribbentrop he had emphasized the contents of the documents which had been communicated to him were in the nature of proposals.

"I made it clear His Majesty's Government hoped the German Government would be in a position to accept them, but that in any event His Majesty's Government felt the German Government should assist them in their task by making some constructive contribution to improve the situation.

"On my instructions, His Majesty's Ambassador in Berlin used similar language in an interview with the German Minister for Foreign Affairs yesterday."

Mr. Eden added that no reply had yet been received from the German Government.

Answering another question, the Prime Minister said the maintenance of the principle of sanctity of treaties was the main objective of the British Government.—*British Wire-*

less.

PEACE BRITAIN'S AIM

London, March 23.
Lord Halifax, who was one of the British delegates in the Four Power discussions both in Paris and London, deputed for Mr. Anthony Eden at a meeting at Bristol to-night. He expressed the opinion that it has been single desire of the whole country in the recent crisis to use its full influence for the preservation of European peace, and to build this peace upon the only possible foundation, namely, respect for treaties freely made, and mutual understand-
ing. That, he asserted, put in its simplest terms, the very essence of British foreign policy.

Referring to the German case argued at the League of Nations by Herr von Ribbentrop, Lord Halifax said there was much in it that would command sympathy in many quarters, but whatever sympathy Englishmen might have with the broad outlines of the German case, their constructive respect for law would always make them condemn action taken in direct violation of it.

FIRST DANGER PASSED

He went on to express understand-
ing of and sympathy with the depth
of feelings of anxiety and resentment
aroused in Belgium and France by
the German action in the dramatic
zone. If, as he believed, the next
danger was passed, it was due on the
one hand to the restraint of France
and Belgium, and on the other, to the
unfailing efforts of the British Foreign
Secretary to secure a better under-
standing between Germany and
Belgium and France, which had result-
ed in the proposals now before the
world. They were not to be regarded
as an ultimatum for Germany to
accept, but if they were found un-
acceptable by the German Government
in any respect, the other Powers were
entitled to ask that the German
Government should advance other pro-
posals, not less effectual, constituting
a real contribution by Germany to
the cause of settlement which might
rank with the contribution of restraint
made by Belgium and France and the
contribution to security made by the
British Government.

The British declaration of complete
adherence to the obligations of the
Treaty of Locarno, and agreement to
practical discussions with Belgium and
France in advance of the means by
which aid might be lent to them in
case of unprovoked aggression, had
been, he believed a real contribution
to the creation of an atmosphere in
which discussion could take place and
peace be established.—*British Wire-*

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NO LOAN TO GERMANY

London, Mar. 23.
In the course of a Commons reply,
the Financial Secretary to the Treas-
ury stated that no credit or loan to
the German Government or German
Banks by the British Government or
the Bank of England was in negotia-
tion or contemplation.—*British Wire-*

less.

ART EXHIBITION

Mr. Lorenzo's Fine Display On View

The exhibition by Mr. Diosdado
Magna Lorenzo, now being held at
the Gloucester Hotel under the
auspices of the Hongkong Working
Artists' Guild, comes in time to rescue
the lack of art activities which had
hitherto been so keen about six weeks
ago. The show includes not a great
number of paintings—50 in all—yet
it shows no less variety both in sub-
ject matter and in taste.

In all the landscapes shown, sun-
light is the predominant feature.
"Harvest Time" (No. 39) and
"Buffalo" (No. 38) are superbly im-
pressionistic in treatment with so
much intensity of sunlight, at the
same time exhibiting a feeling of soli-
dity but rather enhancing it as in the
case of the latter in which the buffalo
silhouettes against the light.

In the street scenes, perhaps "Wan-
chai" (No. 19) is the most satisfac-
tory. Notice the light cast on the
street which leads us into the whole
scene. The light and atmosphere are
so truthful and yet so solid in sub-
stance.

"Hongkong from the Peak" (No.
15) has the atmosphere very charac-
teristic of the Colony, while in "Har-
bour View" (No. 18) the colour
harmony is seen at its best.
I have purposely reiterated the
correct atmosphere and solidity this
artist has expressed in his work, first-
ly because these are the very qualities
I have been looking for in vain in
the past and which were lacking in
the work of Mr. Feng H. Chiu whose
one-man show it will be recalled, was
held in the same place two months
ago; and, secondly, because the sub-
ject under review does not, as in the
case of the latter artist, use one and
the same formula in dealing with his
landscapes painted in different places,
but has expressed his personal feel-
ing of different places in a way far
from being conventional.

PECULIAR COLOUR SCHEME

In "Bird's Eye View of Rome"
(No. 29) we notice another aspect in
which the artist paints this picture.
Here a peculiar colour scheme, in
which red and green greys pre-
dominate, is employed. One admires
the heavy impasto loaded so tellingly
on the canvas. Such heavy impasto,
however, detracts from the charming
effect in "Philippine Native Home"
(No. 47) in that the heavy white
pigment loaded thickly on a sky tends
to come forward to compete with the
main interest immediately below.
In "Casina" (Rome) (No. 30)
the artist is seen in his happiest
and most thrilling moment. The
composition in "Pantheon (Rome)"
(No. 26) is rather unusual and
dramatic.

In "Oriental Fruits No. 1" the firm
brush work is rendered in its utmost
simplicity and complete satisfaction.

Finally, the portrait. The "Por-
traits of Mr. A. N. Macfadyen" (No. 1)
and "The Hon. M. K. Le" (No. 1)
have all the fine draughtsmanship
that can be expected from the or-
medium. In the latter portrait, how-
ever, the foreshortening legs is not
very convincing. "Portrait Study of
a Sailor" (No. 9) is a sketch done
with economy of effort, a point rarely
reached in most of the academic work.
Among the artist's latest develop-
ments in this field, and we can wisely com-
pare these with his earlier work—to
take at random "East and West"
(No. 10) in which a young and an
old lady are depicted. In the latter
picture the colour is employed more
impressionistically, whereas in his latest
portraits he has developed in a
stage more harmony in colour scheme
and more vital in treatment.

Mr. Lorenzo has not yet reached
the top of his achievement. In the
matter of composition and colour
harmony he has yet to develop to the
full and that he will do so I am
certain considering his youth.—*LUIS*
GUAN, of the Hongkong Artists'
Guild.

AGREE TO REFUSE SANCTIONS

(Continued from Page 1)

VIRTUAL ALLIANCE

Rome, Mar. 23.
Italy, Austria and Hungary have
signed a tri-power agreement which,
it is understood, makes Italy the
virtual guarantor of Austria's in-
dependence, regardless of what may
happen and even in the event of a
German attempt to dominate Austria.
The agreement reaffirms and
prolongs the engagement made by
the three powers in 1934 and streng-
thens the political and economic
relations to an extent which makes
the treaty approximate to a system
of mutual assistance. However, Hun-
gary has declined to agree to aid
Austria in the event of that country
being attacked.

It is understood Italy promises to
support Hungary's demand for reviv-
ing of the World War. treaties and
territorial adjustment, at the project-
ed European conference this summer.
—United Press.

LADY RESIDENT'S DEATH

MRS. EGGE PASSES IN HOSPITAL

The death occurred at the French
Hospital at 2.30 this morning of Mrs.
Felicia E. Egge, after an illness of
about a month. She had resided in
the Colony for fourteen years.

The deceased, who was 35 years of
age, was the wife of Mr. W. Egge,
manager of Messrs. Kunst and Albers,
Pedder Building, for whom much
sympathy will be felt.

The funeral takes place this after-
noon, passing the Monument, Happy
Valley, at 5.15 p.m. Prior to the
interment a Russian Orthodox
service will be held in the cemetery
chapel.



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from St. Vitus' Dance that she was
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DEATH.

EGGE.—Passed away at the French
Hospital, on 24th March, 1936,
Pelagie E. Egge, beloved wife of
W. Egge. Funeral will pass the
monument at 5.15 p.m. to-day.The
Hongkong Telegraph.

TUESDAY, MAR. 24, 1936.

IS THE COLONY
LIGHTLY TAXED?

A favourite argument by Government spokesmen that Hongkong is a lightly-taxed Colony was again heard during the debate on administrative costs in the Legislative Council on Thursday. In support of the theory, figures were cited comparing taxation here with the standards prevailing in Singapore and at Home. On the former point, it was shown that the assessed tax in Singapore is on a basis of 24 per cent., as against 17 per cent. in Hongkong. But before any safe deductions can be drawn from these figures it would be essential to know how property values compare between Singapore and Hongkong—in other words, whether rental standards are approximately the same, inasmuch as the assessed tax is based on rents. Until this point is cleared up, there is not much utility in comparing assessed tax percentages. So far as the respective positions between the United Kingdom and Hongkong are concerned, it would appear idle to make comparisons, for the simple reason that the conditions existing in the two places are in no sense similar. The standard of living of the majority of the people there bear no relation to that of the average taxpayer here in Hongkong. Admittedly, it would not be difficult to show that specific sections of the Colony's community get off relatively lightly in the matter of taxation. The well-to-do and the very poor, the last-named of whom either pay no regular rent or are accommodated in bed-spaces or cubicles, are not unduly taxed. Equally, Government servants and others who enjoy free quarters or house allowances get off lightly. But between these groups there is a big section of the community which finds it hard to meet the burden of taxation. In this connection, we have to bear in mind the overcrowded labour market, which has a direct bearing on this matter of taxation. If rents go up, carrying enhanced taxation, the worker cannot expect to get recompense in the way of higher wages; he is at the mercy of the landlord in such circumstances. There are many other aspects of the question which could be cited to show the danger of making comparisons with other centres where the conditions are dissimilar. Generally speaking, however, it must surely be realised by the Government that the present is no time in which to contemplate any addition to the existing scale of taxation. The community as a whole, therefore, sincerely trusts that the official submission that we

TROUBLED RHINE WATERS.

THE Rhineland is Germany's western province, which the French in their hour of might sought, and failed, to carve out of the Reich; from which they thought to have removed the sting by the demilitarisation clauses of the Treaty of Versailles, incorporated in the Locarno protocols; and on which they now turn a gaze of growing and tragic anxiety.

In the Rhineland the French and German general staffs do not see merely a pleasant and wealthy tract of Europe. They do not hear

the good Rhine flowing in the heart of all Allemagne. They see it as a vital strategic factor in a battle still unfought.

To the French generals, the west, or left, bank of the Rhine is simply a base of concentration for a German attack on France. Germany has a foot on the French side of the ditch, a stronghold within the defences which nature designed for the protection of France.

The Germans point out that some millions of indubitable German subjects dwell on the wrong side of this "natural frontier."

A fortnight after the Armistice Marshal Foch presented a demand for the separation from Germany of the entire left bank of the Rhine, coupled with a permanent occupation by French troops of the bridge-heads on the right bank.

When Foch's plan was rejected, the French sought the same end by other means. Clemenceau believed that the Treaty of Versailles gave him what he wanted.

"In fifteen years," he told Poincare, "Germany will not have fulfilled the clauses of the treaty. If you will do me the honour to visit my grave, you will be able to tell me, 'We stand on the Rhine and we remain on the Rhine.'"

NOTES OF THE DAY

COLONY DEFENCES

It is interesting to discover that Hongkong's defence forces are a match for a fair-sized enemy force which might attempt to take the Island by landing troops without preliminary bombardment on a large scale, and that even should such a force of invaders gain the beaches and the more rugged interior country, they could be driven back into the sea by the fierce counter-attacks of the reserves (including the Volunteers) and such of those who survived the first struggle on the beaches. It is gratifying to know that the Colony's defence forces are efficient, well-organised and keen on the job, and that in the face of an ordinary attack from the sea, with naval artillery fire supporting the landing parties, they can give a good account of themselves. However, the official reports of lessons learned in the recent manoeuvres give us no room for complacency. It appears that, in the event of a sustained and "ferocious" attack by enemy aircraft, Hongkong would suffer severely; and the inference may be drawn that were this aerial offensive maintained long enough, the ultimate assault from the sea might find the defenders sadly depleted and their resistance much weakened. We are therefore pushed to the conclusion that anti-aircraft defence is the vital spot in Hongkong's armour, and that any weakness in this direction must be remedied before we are in position to defend ourselves with real hope of success. For it is most improbable that in any attempted invasion of Hongkong aircraft would not play a major part. In this connection let it be noted that Singapore has taken steps to augment its volunteer anti-aircraft defence force materially. We suggest there is material among the men of this Colony for the organisation of a similar body, a complementary unit of men to be trained to work with the Royal Air Force in garrison.

have not reached the limit of taxation does not imply any intention of adding to the present burden. Any such move would meet with instant condemnation. The remedy for the Colony's present plight obviously lies in the direction of reducing expenditure, not in seeking means for the raising of more revenue.



By George Malcolm Thomson

But this French complacency waned as the months passed and revealed that, though Germany would certainly fail to carry out the monstrous obligations of the treaty, it would probably prove impossible to apply in its severity the legal alternative—a permanent French occupation of the left bank of the Rhine.

FRENCH soldiers applied themselves once more to the task of detaching from the Reich this area which contains eight per cent. of Germany's territory, eleven per cent. of her population, and twelve per cent. of her coal.

Now there was in the Rhineland a genuine local movement for decentralisation. The Roman Catholic province of Luthran Prussia had grievances against Berlin.

Could the French make use of this local sentiment? They determined to try.

And so there opened the whole bloody, bad-tempered and discreditable episode, half-farce, half-tragedy, of the Rhineland separatist movement. In the summer of 1919, a handsome young Wiesbaden lawyer, Dr. Adam Dorten, known as "Pretty Addi," proclaimed the Rhineland republic. The wind blew the proclamation posters away.

But in 1923, while the frightful, silent struggle in the Ruhr went on, while financial chaos

reigned in Germany and the morale of the people was at a low ebb, a second and more dangerous separatist attempt was launched.

This time the French had prepared the ground for their separatist friends. Propaganda had been busy among the Rhineland people. They were "Celts, like us." French newspapers, magazines, and soup kitchens stressed the contrast of a distracted Germany and a strong, friendly France.

Besides, there was the tempting bait of escape from reparations payments.

In the autumn of 1923, when German resistance on the Ruhr had collapsed, the Separatists launched their "putsch." Their leaders were Matthes, who had at one time run a Communist paper at Frankfurt, a German named Deckers, who commanded in Aix, Dr. Dorten, and a picturesque adventurer who was called Captain Parsival.

The rank and file, as usual in such adventures, consisted partly of ruffians and partly of honest men.

The red, white and green tricolour of the Rhineland was resurrected from the museums where it had lain since the days of the French Revolution and hoisted by the Separatist storm troops in Wiesbaden, Crefeld, Aix and Coblenz.

But from the first it was evi-

dent that French propaganda and French bribes had failed to win over the Rhenish population.

After a few weeks' precarious existence, the Rhineland republic collapsed, to the savage joy of the local inhabitants, who, at Pirmasens, set fire to the building in which the Separatists had taken refuge.

France's second attempt to solve the military problem of the Rhineland had failed.

THE third was Locarno. From the point of view of the French general staff this was a compromise. It involved a free acceptance by the German Government of the permanent demilitarisation of the left bank of the river and of a strip 30 miles wide on the right bank.

On the other hand, it envisaged an early withdrawal of the French garrisons. But this was compensated for by the guarantee by Britain and Italy of France's frontier against unprovoked attack.

It seemed that at last the problem was solved. France, with immense new fortifications defending her soil, looked out on a German zone empty of soldiers, naked of defensive works. Germany, on the other hand, felt easier in mind now that the menace, the very real menace, of the Separatist movement, was at an end.

But the long struggle for the strategic mastery of the Rhineland had not ended in a victory for France.

And, even if the Rhineland were not rearmament, what, it may be asked by the French general, is a 30-mile demilitarised zone in these days of tanks and mechanised heavy guns which could cross it in an hour?

What is the value of the neutralised Rhineland when a sudden secret mobilisation could transform a million Rhenish civilians into a million marching Reichswehrmen in a few hours?

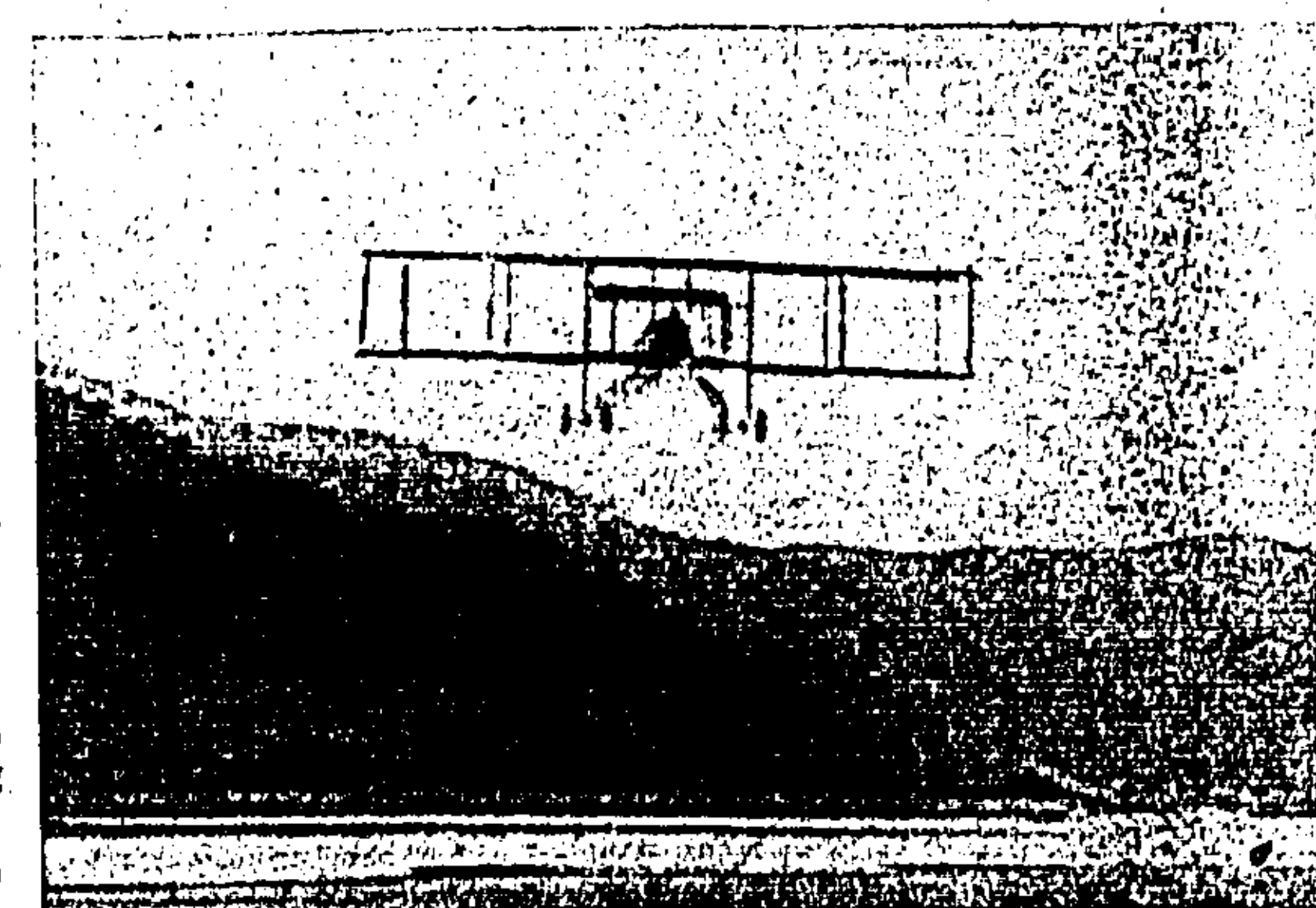
1911-1936: AVIATION IN HONGKONG

EXACTLY twenty-five years ago this week the first aviator to fly in Hongkong took off at Shatin and, amidst the jubilation of thousands of people who assembled to witness his daring feat, succeeded in flying a distance of 200 yards!

The flight was made on March 18, 1911 by Mr. Van den Born, a Belgian. To-day, just over 25 years later, the Imperial Airways liner Dorado inaugurates a commercial service that brings Hongkong within 26 hours of Penang, and within ten days of London. Newspaper reports of Van den Born's first flight in Hongkong are given below.

The S. C. M. Post of March 20, 1911, reported:

"Keen disappointment was manifested by a large number of people who assembled at Shatin on Saturday afternoon (March 18) to witness the exhibition of flying promised by Mr. Van den Born. It was a beautiful day and high hopes were entertained of witnessing the latest of the arts of locomotion under the best of circumstances. There was some delay at the outset on account of the late arrival of His Excellency the Governor, and when His Excellency did arrive it was found that the wind had risen too high to permit of flying. The machine was taken out of its shed, however, and the working of the motor displayed, but it was decided that it would be folly to attempt to rise in the teeth of a gale blowing about 30 miles an hour. The people hung round impatiently, and most of them were glad when the 5.10 train started for home, for, although the band of the Rajputs did its best to enliven matters, nothing would have induced the crowd to wait longer.



The First flight in Hongkong.

"As it happened, the wind front of the hangar and, upon observing this, a large number of those present, the majority of whom were school children from Queen's College and other institutions, rushed to the spot. Seeing the danger of a collision and possibly injury to some of the more reckless of the spectators, Mr. Van den Born with great presence of mind (for he was travelling at considerable speed) swerved his machine clear. This left him too little distance in which to make for the shed, and the result was a collision in which the forepart of the machine was considerably crumpled. No injury resulted to the motor, fortunately, and Mr. Van den Born himself escaped with but a few slight bruises."

On March 27 he again made several successful ventures into the air—aviation was an accomplished fact in the Colony. The aviator then went on to Canton, and gave a most successful exhibition there in April. Born endeavoured to land in

Marble Sunk In 1881 Raised By Sanctions

Bowcombe Creek, near Kinsbridge, South Devon, Mar. 13. THE shore of this little creek is to-day ringing with the sound of chain and tackle, sledge hammers and the popping of a little motor-winch.

Lying in the mud of the low-tide level are half a dozen large seaweed-covered blocks. On the shore, scrubbed and polished to a glistening whiteness, there are more of these great squares.

Passers-by hardly give a glance at the eight or nine workmen who are busy themselves among these sea-shore Stonehenge. But those workmen are pulling treasure worth thousands of pounds out of the sea, beneath which it has lain defying all efforts at salvage since 1881—for those great stones are pure Italian marble.

It is sanctions that is bringing them to the sea surface at last.

Fifty-five years ago a small Italian sailing vessel battled with a gale off the Devon coast. She carried more than two hundred tons of Italian marble for delivery to a London merchant. But the gale beat the Volvere, as she was called, a few miles off Salcombe. She was smashed on treacherous rocks. The captain's wife, put ashore on the rocks, was washed back into the sea. The whole crew were drowned.

Attempts failed. The two hundred or more tons of marble sunk to the sea bed. After the underwriters had finished with the wreck six local fishermen bought it. They salvaged small pieces of marble and more than one hundred tons of good walnut wood, and then sold the wreck to a Plymouth merchant, who lost about £600 trying to salvage the marble.

More than thirty years ago he sold the wreck again to Mr. James Distin, of Salcombe, who salvaged wood and copper from it, and this is where Mr. R. H. Partridge, of Salcombe, steps in.

Four years ago the wreck and marble were transferred to him. With the aid of a diver and after a fight against the silted-up sea bed, the weather and a collision, 100 tons of marble were eventually tied to the bottom of a barge and brought ten miles to be dropped to the bed of this creek.

CUSTOMERS' CLAIM
Sanctions came, affecting the supplies and price of marble.

A week ago the first of the great blocks of marble was dragged ashore, but Mr. Partridge has had to fight against more than the weather and the sea bed. The Customs impounded the marble and claimed £150 duties.

Mr. Partridge proved that as the marble came within the three-mile limit at a time when there was no duty on marble he need pay no duty. It was claimed by the Government as treasure trove. Mr. Partridge traced its ownership through the fifty-five years to himself.

Now, sanctions and duty-free, the marble is at last being landed.

Says Mr. Partridge: "It has cost me £800 to get this 100 tons of marble this far. I do not know exactly what I shall get for it. I know that at present it is worth about £1,500. The value will probably go up."

"It depends on my success with this gamble—for that is all it is—whether or not I shall salvage the other 100 tons or so that still lie in the wreck."

DAY BY DAY NEWS IN BRIEF

STATEMEN ONLY TALK OF FATE WHEN THEY HAVE BLUNDERED.—*Missouri.*

The troopship *Neuralia* has left Singapore and is expected here on Thursday. Bad weather has caused her to be slightly behind her original schedule.

A woman, Ching-Ng, aged 74 years, was admitted to Kowloon Hospital yesterday suffering from injuries received when she was knocked down by car No. 2023 in Cheung Sha Wan Road yesterday.

J. A. Victor, owner of private car No. 4238, was fined \$2 by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy this morning, on a summons for failing to have the licence disc in its proper position in the lower left hand corner of the wind screen, on March 5. A representative pleaded guilty to the charge.

When Chan Chiu, 30, ricksha driver, appeared before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning to answer charge of driving private ricksha No. 242 for public hire in Des Voeux Road Central, Acting Sub-Inspector Brittain, of the Traffic Department, stated he had been instructed to apply for a heavy sentence as there was a lot of this going on, and it was hard to stop. At the time of the arrest, the defendant had a European lady passenger from whom he received ten cents. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$3, or three days' imprisonment, and ordered the ten cents to be placed in the Poor-Box.

YAUMATI HOUSE COLLAPSE

CARE NEEDED IN DEMOLITIONS

INQUIRY JURY'S VERDICT

After the Coroner had summed up the evidence called at previous hearings, the jury returned a verdict of "Accidental Death," and added a rider, at the inquiry conducted by Mr. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning into the circumstances attending the death of Ko Sze-nui, 43, female, and seven others who were killed in the disastrous collapse of houses at Woosung Street on February 10.

The jury comprised Messrs. O. B. Payne (Foreman), A. Krilovsky and J. P. Fok.

Detective-Inspector A. H. Elston and Divisional-Inspector R. Shannon were present for the Police. Mr. D. L. Strellett watched the proceedings on behalf of the owner, Mr. Wong Tat-yuen.

The deceased persons were Ko Sze-nui, 43, female; Yip Chai, 31, male; Yip Yee, 62, female; Ho Yee-ku, 55, female; Li Wan-tun, 39, male; Yuen nga-nga, aged 5 years, girl; Chan Ping, 31, coolie; and Sung Ching, 20 male. Seven other persons were injured.

The foreman in delivering the verdict said: "Our verdict is that Ko Sze-nui's death was due to the accidental collapse of No. 4 Woosung Street and the cause of death was crushing. Nobody is to blame."

THE RIDER
The following rider was added: "In future, more care should be taken in demolishing old buildings of this type, as from the evidence as to the condition of the joists in this case, the building authorities are now placed in a definite position to suspect that part of a building which is buried in the wall and around which air cannot circulate. Also we recommend that it is imperative in future that all premises which are desired to be demolished must be seen to have been vacated."

It is stated that he agreed with the jury that they had not mentioned whom the responsibility of seeing that the houses be vacated, should fall, but he added that he would forward the rider to the proper authorities.

**CONGRESSWOMAN
RETIRING**
Phoenix, Mar. 23.

Mrs. Greenway, Congresswoman, has announced that she will not be a candidate for re-election.

Her voluntary retirement is most surprising, since she was considered certain of re-election in the event of a contest.—*United Press.*

Dr. D. J. Valentine, will give the next lecture in first-aid (for women) at St. John Ambulance Headquarters on Thursday, March 26, at 5.30 p.m.

Brought before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning charged with returning from banishment before his term had been completed, Chan Chu-sum, 28, was remanded until to-morrow in goal for medical examination. Sergt. Williamson prosecuted.

Tam Sing-ki, 20, shop fook, pleaded guilty before Mr. Balfour at the Central Police Court this morning to the theft of three wooden attache cases, lighters and two pen holders from 33, Bonham Strand West, and was fined \$60 or, in default, one month's hard labour. Detective Sergeant P. O. Guild stated that defendant had been employed at the shop for the past six months and received \$40 a week, leaving the shop with a bundle of paper lighters.

Last night's Whist Drive at the European Y.M.C.A. was a record for this year, one hundred and twenty-four people signing down to play 4 West Loongs. The prizes, which were presented by Mrs. Spradbery, Ladies' First, Mrs. Jordan; Ladies' Second, Mrs. Bowler; Gent's First, Mr. Hamman; Gent's Second, Mr. Jackson; Gent's Third, Mr. Pollard. A knock-out whist drive in which eighty persons took part concluded the evening's play and was won by Mr. and Mrs. Goodfellow.

CIRCUS TIME IS NO. 1 TIME FOR KIDS ANYWHERE



A circus has arrived to the little Caucasian town and these three girls, Feodora, Ewliampla and Tanja are present for the first time in their life. Their features tell that it is an adventure.

CORRESPONDENCE

Civil Servants' Salaries

(To The Editor, *Hongkong Telegraph*)

Sir,—In the last Budget debate and in the various reports of the Retrenchment Committee and Salaries Commission one salient point was apparently overlooked and that is: The principle of paying all salaries and expenses in the same currency as the revenue of the Colony is collected.

The salaries of all officers or Civil Servants whether recruited in England or locally should be fixed and paid in Hongkong Currency thereby eliminating the danger of speculation in exchange and unbalanced budgets occasionally.

The Colony's finances should not be subjected to the vagaries and fluctuations of exchange. Nothing could be more illuminating and convincing than the following broad facts. During the last 50 years the highest rate of exchange was quoted in 1920 at 6/2 and the lowest rate was quoted in 1931 at 10/4d. per dollar. The difficulty of balancing the Colony's budgets under such conditions is quite obvious and requires no explanation.

In the course of his pertinent remarks, Mr. Lo brought to the notice of the public that 60% of the Colony's revenue goes to the salaries based at 1s. 8d. What would be left of the revenue should the rate of exchange drop to 1 shilling per dollar?

The Salaries Commission appointed on the 10th. October, 1928, considered that the salaries of officers, ordinarily recruited in England, should continue to be quoted in sterling while an officer recruited in England or other country having a gold standard.

Things have changed since, and England is off the gold standard. It would be preferable to abstain from indulging in long-drawn arguments causing tedious reading, as the value of such a letter lies in its brevity.

This is a mere suggestion apart from any recommendation for the reduction of sterling paid officers without impairing the high efficiency of the Administration.

The Colony should also look to the future by making provisions for some unforeseen expenses, such as its defences, etc.

AN OLD RESIDENT.

**JAPANESE OFFICERS
ON BRITISH SHIP**

(Continued from Page 1.)
Japanese or Chinese officers for British officers.

GUILD'S VIEW
Mr. W. E. Kirby, Secretary of the China Coast Officers' Guild and the Marine Engineers' Guild, in a statement this morning, said that there could be no objection to the ship carrying Japanese officers provided she hauld down the Red Ensign, but if she intended to trade under the British flag it should be made imperative for her to carry British officers.

The Bright Vega only recently came under the British flag and is at present under charter to the Yamashita Kisen Kaisha, and trades between Japan and Australia. She arrived from Australia on March 22 and has a small amount of flour for Hongkong and a large shipment through to Japan. The local merchants are Messrs. Wallen and Company.

**RED HEADQUARTERS
CAPTURED?**
**UNCONFIRMED REPORT
FROM SHANSI**
Peking, Mar. 24.
Chinese reports claim that Shanxi troops re-took Suitoucheng, in Western Shansi, which is claimed to be General Mao Tse-tung's headquarters, yesterday, but the report lacks confirmation.

Central Government troops continue to pour into the province and they now total five divisions, two belonging to General Shang Chen and one to General Liu Chih, as well as the 25th Division, which is directly controlled by the Generalissimo.—*Reuter.*

NEW JAPANESE MINISTER
Tokyo, Mar. 24.
The Asahi Shimbun states that Mr. Ishii, Consul-General in Shanghai, will shortly be appointed Japanese Minister to Siam.—*Reuter.*

CABARET GIRLS' DISPUTE

ACADEMY'S CLAIM IN COURT

(To The Editor, *Hongkong Telegraph*)

The hearing of a claim against two cabaret girls, which is in the nature of a test case to force the return of dancing tickets to the proprietor of the Academy, was resumed before Mr. Justice J. J. Hayden at Supreme Court to-day, after a lapse of over two months.

The plaintiff was Mr. Dennis Victor, proprietor of the Lido Dancing Academy, and the defendants were two former employees, Dora To and Liu Phil-yuk.

The first defendant, Dora To, was sued for \$47.02 of which sum \$10 was for money lent and the remainder was for 301 dancing tickets, valued at 25 cents each, less 50 per cent. commission. The claim against the second defendant was for \$33.12, in respect of which \$10 was for money lent and the rest for 185 tickets, less 50 per cent. commission.

While each admitted having borrowed \$10, both defendants denied that the dancing tickets were the property of the plaintiff, and put in counter-claims for \$13.75 and \$14.62 respectively, being 50 per cent. commission on the tickets which they alleged they had obtained while working in the Academy.

Mr. M. A. da Silva appeared for the plaintiff and Mr. G. S. Ford, of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist, was for the defendants.

It was stated at a previous hearing that although the amount involved was inconsiderable, the action was brought because the girls had been many cases of cabaret girls retaining the tickets and converting them to their own use.

THE SYSTEM
The system of employing dancing partners, as practised by most of the clubs, is based on a commission basis, although in some of them there was the question of salary. In the present case the defendants were not employed on a salary basis but only on commission, namely 50 per cent. of every ticket they obtained from customers. These tickets were valued at 25 cents each.

The proprietor of a dancing academy sold the tickets to the customers who in turn gave them to the girls after they had danced together. After the night's work was over, the girls were to return the tickets to the proprietor, who entered them up in a book against their names and gave them the commission every fifteen days.

The girls were entitled to one 50 per cent. of every ticket obtained from customers. These tickets were valued at 25 cents each.

Witness said that first defendant had returned 80 tickets to him since the last hearing of the case. Her share of these tickets amounting to \$10, which wiped off the money lent.

SOME DISCREPANCIES
Mr. Ford suggested that it was impossible for the checking system, whereby a clerk jotted down the dances he saw each girl take, to be efficient. There were several discrepancies in the checking book. In one case the second defendant's dances added up to 11 and the clerk and maker \$13.01. The girls, defendant agreed, had no counter-check.

Witness said the sale of tickets in one night ranged from 300 to 2,000. The hearing is proceeding.

STATE OF WAR
Rio de Janeiro, Mar. 23.
A nation-wide state of war has been proclaimed for ninety days in connection with anti-Communist drive.—*United Press.*

MEXICAN CLASHES
Mexico City, Mar. 23.
Twenty-four were killed and many wounded in clashes between Federal troops and rebels at Taxco (San Pedro), and Ajalpa (San Jose).—*United Press.*

DUST STORM
Liberal, Kan., Mar. 23.
The worst dust storm since 1934 is sweeping over this state and has afflicted a wide area.—*United Press.*

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A broadcast from the R.M.S. Queen Mary.
8 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report; Closing Local Stock Quotations.

8.05-8.20 p.m. From the Studio.
A Recital of English Ballads by J. Mc. Naught Thomson (Baritone) accompanied by Nura Kanis.

Programme:
1. Loving Smile of Sister Kind... Gounod.
2. Caragoes... Coningsby—Clarke.
3. Allah be with us... Woodford—Finden.
4. A Song of Thanksgiving... Allislen.
5. Tommy Laid... Margeson.
8.20-8.25 p.m. "Gladstone Fox-Trot Medley" played by Harry Roy's Tiger Ragamuffins.

8.25-8.35 p.m. From the Studio.
"Canossian Institute's Seventy-five Years in Hongkong" by a Former Pupil.

8.35-8.40 p.m. Two Songs by Mlle. Lucienne Boyer (Soprano).
1. Ta Main (Hands across the Table).
2. Mon ami le Vent—Chanson.

8.40-9 p.m. From the Studio.
A Pianoforte Recital by Caroline Braga.
9-9.15 p.m. A Relay of the Davenport News Bulletin (Copyright by Reuter).

9.15-9.30 p.m. Military Band Music.
Marsella—Overture (Gounod)... The B.B.C. Wireless Military Band.
Hydo Park Suite (Jalowiec)... The Regimental Band of H. M. Grenadier Guards.

9.30-9.45 p.m. From the Studio.
A talk "The Confederate States of America, 1861-1865" by H. C. Macnamara.

9.45-10 p.m. A Jazz Piano Recital by Carroll Gibbons.
1. Coronada—Selection. 2. Thanks a Million—Selection. 3. You're got to admit. 4. Judy. 5. Stars fell in Alabama.

10 p.m. Big Ben.
10.10-10.15 p.m. From the Studio.
A talk by Captain J. H. Lock of R.M.A. "Dorado" carrying first Air Mails from London to Hongkong.

10.10-11 p.m. Dance Music.
Fox-Trot—Love's Serenade.
—Moonspun Dreams.
—Ridin' up the River Road.
—The Simple things in life.
—Gypsy Violin.

Tango—Caramba.
Fox-Trot—Louisiana Fairy Tale.
—The Oregon Trail.
—Kiss me goodnight.
—Chasing Shadows.
—Allah's Holiday.
Fox-Trot—Lovely to look at.
—I won't Dance.
—Turn your face to the Sun.
—Red Sails in the Sunset.
11 p.m. Close Down.

TOWNSEND NON-PARTISAN
Los Angeles, Mar. 23.
The headquarters of the revolving Democrat, Dr. F. E. Townsend, has issued a statement emphatically repudiating the leader's endorsement of Senator William Borah, asserting the movement, backed by 4,000,000 persons, is strictly non-partisan.—*United Press.*

CHARLIE IN BATAVIA
Batavia, Mar. 23.
Mr. Charles Chaplin and Miss Paulette Goddard, with Mrs. Goddard, arrived here from Singapore aboard the Australian mail plane to-day and will return to Singapore after a ten-day tour.—*United Press.*

DRIZZLE OR MIST
The anticyclone over China has increased in intensity and the depression has moved eastward into the Sea of Japan. Pressure is highest in the vicinity of Shanghai. Local forecast:—N.E. winds, moderate to fresh; cloudy, some drizzle or mist.

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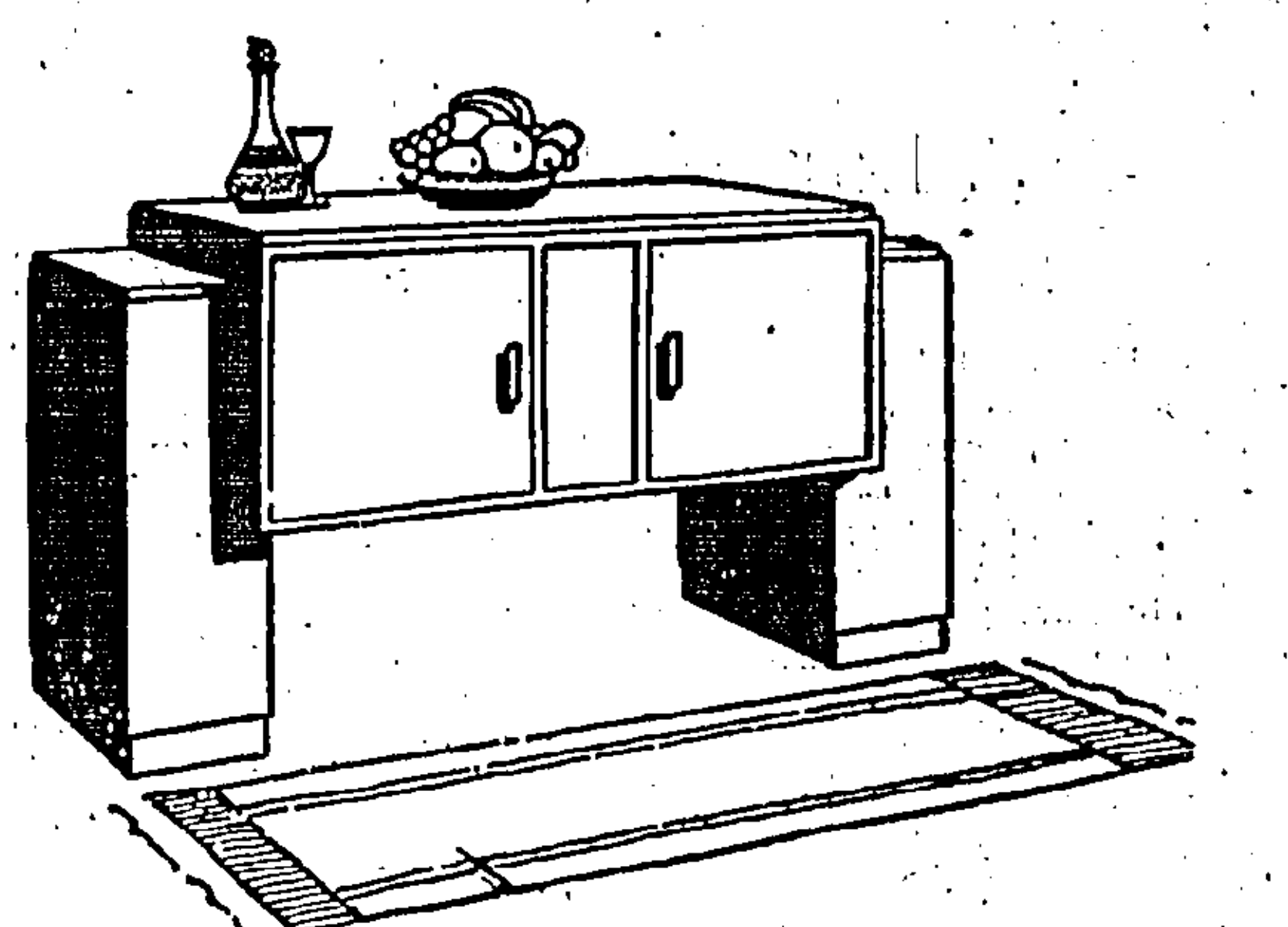
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Regarded by many as the most outstanding amateur Services boxer in Hongkong, Pte. Nielson of the East Lancashire Regiment promises to be one of the chief contenders for the Hongkong Area Welterweight boxing championship next month.

In 1934, his first year in Hongkong, Pte. Nielson was runner-up in the Area welterweight championship after putting up one of the best performances of the programme. It needed a casting vote by the referee before a verdict could be reached in the final scrap, and before giving this the referee complimented both Nielson and his opponent on their fine display and ordered an extra round to be fought.

HE HAD REVENGE

The winner was none other than Pte. Roberts of the South Wales Borderers, a prime favourite with local fight enthusiasts. At that time Roberts reigned supreme and was regarded as unbeatable at his weight. (Continued on Page 9.)

To-day's Tennis Programme

Two open championship matches are arranged for this afternoon at the Cricket Club.

S. A. Rumjahn will meet Frank Kwok and will be the first to reach the last eight stage of the open singles. Kwok's rigid defence may prolong the match, although it is doubtful whether he can avoid a straight sets defeat.

A. W. Ramsay and Gordon Burnett, who played rather disappointingly in their first round of the doubles, meet the Tsui brothers. The Chinese are playing well at the present and a comfortable win for them is indicated.

Complete programme follows.
Open Singles (Third Round)
S. A. Rumjahn v. F. H. Kwok.
Open Doubles (Second Round)
A. W. Ramsay and G. Burnett v. W. P. Tsui and Y. P. Tsui.
Club Championship (First Round)
Lt. Cdr. R. H. H. v. Capt. W. J. R. Cragg.
Club Handicap Singles
Lt. W. P. Lory v. 3/6 v. E. Bathurst-3/6.
Lt. W. A. R. Grant-15/2 v. E. H. Williams-3/6.
J. Thomson-1/6 v. T. A. Pearce-15.
(Second Round)
T. J. Price v. 1/6 v. O. M. Deane-4/6.
Club Handicap Doubles
Y. R. Gordon and A. H. Penn-1/6 v. H. R. Butters and D. Macdonald-4/6.
(Second Round)
C. C. Stark and P. A. Joseph-2/6 v. T. C. Monaghan and E. J. McCallister-3/6.

TENNIS TRIUMPH FOR MISS YORKE

Three Titles Won By English Girl

London, Mar. 23. Miss A. M. ("Billie") Yorke, the English international tennis player, has achieved a personal triumph in the Egyptian lawn tennis tournaments winning all three titles.

After annexing the singles, she won the women's doubles with Miss Joan Ingram and the mixed with C. P. Hughes, the English Davis Cup star.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

ENGLAND WINS AT HOCKEY

London, March 23. England outplayed Wales today in an international hockey match and won by four goals to one.—*Reuter's Bulletin Service.*

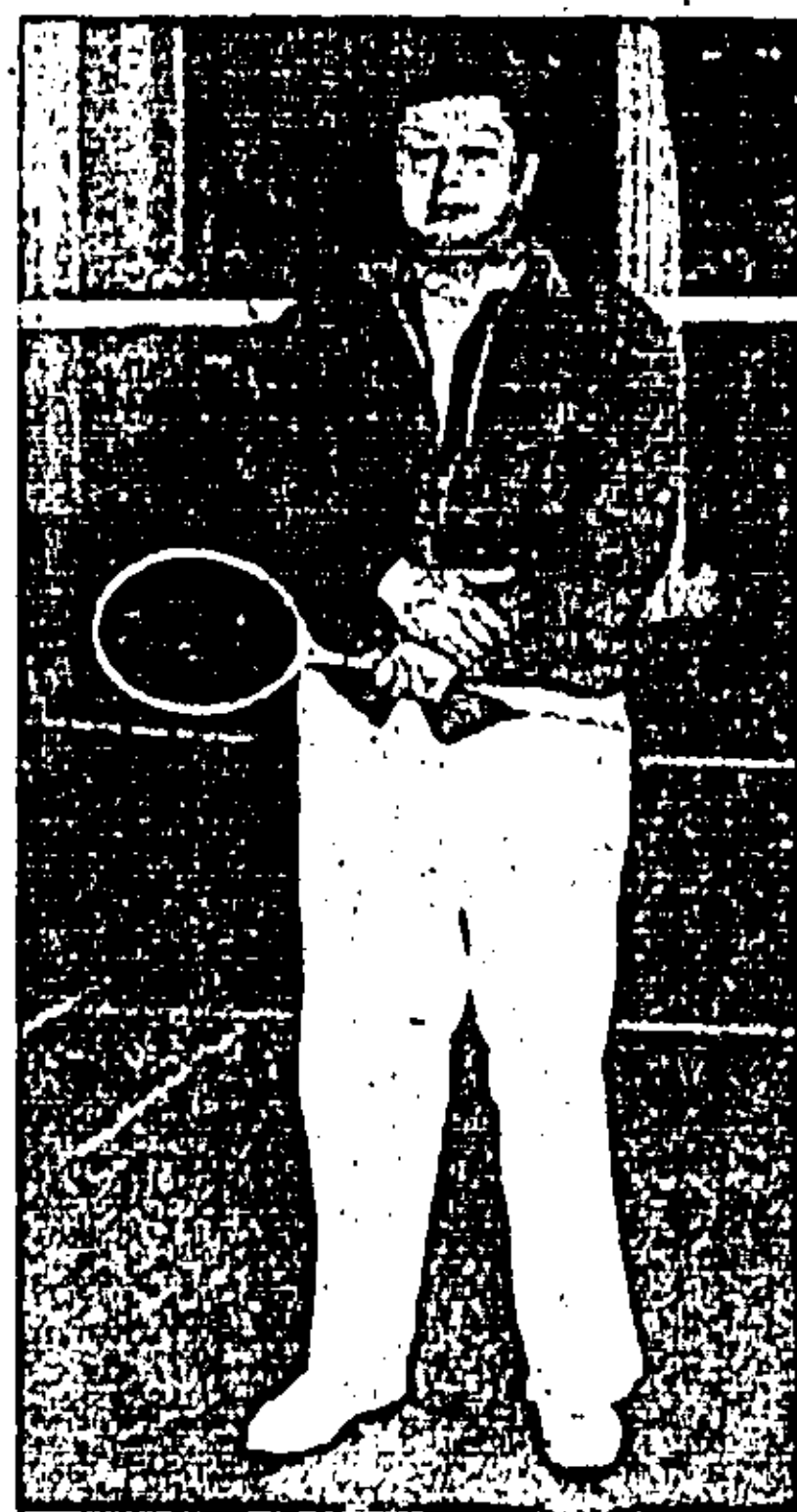
TACTICS WHICH BROUGHT ABOUT THEIR DEFEAT

PLAY-OFF FOR THE TITLE WILL BE NECESSARY

(By "Veritas")

Last evening Recreio "A" men's doubles badminton team accomplished something which, for the past two years, everybody has said was impossible; they beat Eliot Hall "A", Colony champions, in a badminton league match. In consequence (unless Recreio unexpectedly lose a match) there will have to be a play-off for the men's doubles league title on a date and a venue yet to be settled.

Well over 200 badminton enthusiasts crowded Club de Recreio for this match which signalled the first defeat sustained by Eliot Hall "A" since the start of the Hongkong league. They were rewarded with the finest match ever seen in the Colony.



Eddie Sousa, who played a notable part in Recreio's victory last night.

WHY THEY WON

Recreio won because they were shrewd enough to change their tactics. Eliot Hall, whose badminton has been nurtured on forecourt play—a type of game in which they stand supreme in Hongkong—discovered they had to defend the base of the court. It was a new experience, and although they tried hard to adapt themselves to the requirements of this form of play, they could not sustain a defence against the fast moving and hard hitting Portuguese.

When Eliot Hall did get their opportunities of dictating the exchanges they exploited drop shots for all they were worth and had Recreio outplayed. But the home players invariably returned to lob high and deep from corner to corner, and dash in for the final cross-court "kill".

It is questionable whether such fine driving for so much of the one match has been seen before in Hongkong. All of the players were up to concert pitch and covered the court with remarkable agility and speed. When it came to scoring direct aces from driving the teams shared the honours, but Recreio were fitted to a greater extent in the long run as their swift and well placed drives often paved the way for a winning smash.

THE HEROES

For the winners, L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva were the heroes. They were in the game from the start, a demonstration of forceful and lightning badminton in each. Silva, always methodical and unflinching, created most of the openings by his subtle placements, while Carvalho, alert and energetic, performed prodigious feats of overhand smashes.

C. O. Lee and K. L. Yung were the best among the losers. Lee, boasting a beautifully stylish backhand, commanded the base of the court and very nearly found the right answer to the Recreio's tactics. His clever cut shot was a high and deep lob taken on the backhand as the opposition advanced to the net. It scored heavily against Alves and Sousa.

Recreio also owed a lot to Dick Alves and Eddie Sousa, who, frankly speaking, were not expected to win more than one game. But they came up trumps in their second encounter when they not only beat Eliot Hall first string but, in so doing won the match.

Here again the methods of attack were deep drives and lobs to the corners and a quick follow-in for the "kill". Only Lee and Yung found the right answer to this type of game.

Not unnaturally the players were somewhat affected by the importance of the occasion, but Recreio settled down very much quicker than Eliot Hall, who subsequently failed to recover from an early shock of being led two games to one at the end of the first round.

MOST EXCITING GAME

To the delight of their supporters Recreio went to a 4-2 lead and then Sousa and Alves, making the most of their advantage of being up against rattled opponents, won the seventh game for the match. Eliot Hall recovered to win the eighth, but Carvalho and Silva refused to be denied a distinction, not hitherto enjoyed by any other pair, I believe, of winning all three games against the champions.

Easily the most exciting game of the evening was the second between Carvalho and Silva and C. O. Lee and K. L. Yung. Recreio held on to a single ace lead up to 17-all and then obtained game point with Eliot Hall couple at 10. At this point services were lost by means of some dazzling returns. Three times service crossed the net without any alteration to the score, and then Recreio snatched the one ace for a thrilling win.

Detailed scores follow.
L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreio "A") lost to T. C. Lee and K. L. Yung 17-21; lost to C. O. Lee and K. L. Yung 18-21; beat K. S. Liew and K. Y. Lee 21-17.
L. A. Carvalho and A. M. Silva (Recreio "A") beat Lee and Chan 21-19; beat Lee and Lee 21-12.
E. da Sousa and H. A. Alves (Recreio "A") beat Lee and Chan 21-18; lost to Lee and Yung 8-21; beat Liew and Lee 21-15.

POINTS CONCEDED

Kowloon Tong have conceded a walk-over to Recreio "A" in their match scheduled for to-morrow and a walk-over to Eliot Hall "B" in their match fixed for next week. The amended league table therefore reads.
P. W. L. F. A. Pts.
Eliot Hall "A" 18 17 1 112 14 34
Recreio "A" 10 16 1 95 22 30
C.R.C. "A" 18 14 4 107 40 28
St. Andrew's "A" 16 12 4 89 54 24
Eliot Hall "B" 17 12 5 83 43 22
Recreio "B" 14 10 4 69 30 20
St. John's 17 8 9 73 80 16
Fire Brigade 17 8 9 78 16 16
V.R.C. 10 13 42 84 6
Kowloon Tong 21 3 19 49 104 6
St. Andrew's "B" 18 2 16 39 97 2
S. and S. Home 17 1 16 30 134 2

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY

Local Tournament Final On Sunday

The final of the local International Hockey tournament will be played between England and Portugal on Sunday on the Royal Naval Recreation Club ground, King's Park at 10.30 a.m.

12 RUNS FROM ONE HIT

Christchurch, N.Z.

Somewhat unusual was the tally placed against a batsman's name in the scoring book for one hit, the figure 12 going down without the ball being lost. The stroke originally was worth two, two overthrows were run, then three more, a total of seven so far. On this last occasion however, a fieldman stopped the ball with his cap and, of course, under Law 41, a penalty of a further five runs was exacted, thus bringing the grand total to 12.

England, who will play in red, will be represented by the following:—
A. B. Owen; J. E. Potter and Bds. F. Cox; Lieut. J. P. Williams (Capt.), W. A. Reed and J. Farmer; S. A. Fowler, G. E. R. Dwyer, Sub-Lieut. Wraith, Lieut. C. C. Garthwaite, and Flight-Lieut. Lascelles.

TRIANGULAR HOCKEY TOURNEY

Deciding Match On Monday Next.

The deciding match in the Triangular Hockey Tournament will be staged on the Marine ground between the Army and the Hongkong Hockey Club on Monday, March 30, at 4.30 p.m. The Army will be represented by the following players:—Sapper Howlett; Bds. P. Cox and Kishen Singh; Sapper Brown, Lieut. J. P. Williams (Capt.), and Alf Din; Khuda Bux, Mohd. Asar, Lal Singh, Lieut. C. O. Garthwaite and L/Cpl. Nolan.

CRICKET NOTES

SPOTTING "STARS" AT KING'S PARK

QUINNELL IS A GOOD BOWLER

(By R. Abbi)

Although last Saturday was a much nicer day than we have had for weeks there was practically no cricket as the combined operations took up the activities of most of the players.

It was unfortunate, but these things have to be done or how could the Military Contribution be justified? But after dodging borders of accoutred soldiers, festooned with the weapons of their trade I managed to get across to Kowloon hotly pursued by what looked like a section of our excellent St. John Ambulance Brigade and a few others who looked like nothing on earth.

I finally arrived at the K.C.C. to discover if there was a Club game by any chance but found the ground covered by gallant men and fair ladies playing tennis. Thence to the Naval Sports ground where at last I saw some cricket. The sound of the bat hitting the ball, I gathered that the Empress of Britain had fielded a side against what was available of the Navy auxiliaries—technical casualties no doubt in the early hours of the fighting (or were they left out of the fun? Too bad, too bad!) Anyway there was quite an enjoyable game.

I did not get there in time to see the start but I managed to achieve one object and that was to see Quinnell in action. He has rather a curious delivery which I imagine may make the flight of the ball puzzling, but I think I know the ball that gets most of his wickets—a perfect length one which seems to flick faster than the others and just flicks the top of the stumps.

He produced two of them in quick succession at the end of the Empire's innings and they would have bowled a good deal better batsmen than the ones they did actually dismiss. Thanks to their first two batsmen the Empire team won comfortably but the rest of the side were not very skilful.

From the tea, according to Richardson, it gets into the air more quickly, flies better, and, on landing, stops in a shorter distance, especially on the greens. On good fairways it "sits up" and begs to be hit.

LEFT-SIDE FIRM

Richardson said that in U.S.A. he had picked up many hints, and the best had to do with the swing. "They are concentrating on a firm left side," he said, "forcing the club away from the body and turning their right hip away, instead of swaying. When the club comes through, their left side is perfectly firm, the left hip going into the swing a fraction of a second before the moment of impact."

"At the same time there is no cocking of wrists, as we have been accustomed to see in Australia—just a slight turn, which means that they have a maximum of control throughout the entire swing."

"Their chief object, however, is to keep the left side firm, and to keep the club on a straight line."

"Instead of starting to pivot at the start of the swing, the pivot does not begin until the left arm has been forced back."

Richardson intends to make this style the basis of his future golf.

CLUB GAMES

Both the Indians and Craigengower managed to get in scratch games on their own ground but I am afraid I know nothing more of them beyond what has appeared in the papers.

THE MATCH OF MATCHES

I cannot quite recollect if I said that the K.C.C.-University match was to be played at Kowloon on 28th March. There was some such idea, I believe, I shall deal with the game next Friday—when I hope to have got a little more material and a little less cold and cough, but I may as well state now that the same will be played at the originally staged venue—the University ground at Pokfulam.

NEW SOCCER STAR ON VIEW TO-DAY

Tio Hian-Gwin Playing For South China "A"

PLAYER SUSPENDED

WONG MEE-SHUN OUT OF SOCCER FOR FORTNIGHT

The Emergency Committee of the Hongkong Football Association sat yesterday evening to consider the case of Wong Mee-shun the centre-half of the South China "A" team, who was ordered off the field during the match against the Kowloon F.C. on March 14 last.

After inquiring into the circumstances of the case, the Emergency Committee decided to suspend this player for two weeks as from yesterday.

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Panel 2:
THEY HAVE MORE APPEAL THAN WE HAVE! OSSIE, FUZZY AND TAG ARE GETTING OLD CLOTHES BY THE CARLOAD!

Panel 3:
FUZZY GAVE ME THE ADDRESS OF A YOUNG GIRL NAMED FLORETTE, WHOM HE READ ABOUT IN THE PAPERS... HIS MOTHER SAID THE GIRL SURE NEEDS CLOTHES, IF ANYONE DOES!

Panel 4:
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THE STORY THUS FAR

Kay Brannan, late of Wellesley, leaves a solid looking party with Bob Dakin, medical doctor. Motoring her back to Boston he drunkenly insists on marrying her. But when he sobers he remembers Priscilla Hyde, his fiancée. The Dakins are, nevertheless, kind but Priscilla is in a hurry to get away from him. Spring for divorce. He reluctantly consents but their marriage is to be one "in name only." As the months pass Bob becomes more and more engaged in his medical work. Kay discovers that he is corresponding with Priscilla but wisely refrains from asking questions for now a deep and growing companionship has arisen between herself and Bob. But one afternoon Priscilla calls. She is quite excited but anxious that Bob and Kay have not accepted her invitations. Then Bob walks in.

CHAPTER XXV.

Bob stopped on the threshold, and Priscilla looked at him and he at her; and Kay said quickly: "Dear, dear, you're early!" "Dear, dear," he confessed. He explained to Priscilla: "Dr. Fabre has been away these last two weeks, and I'm doing double duty. Got a chance to break away this afternoon, for once." Priscilla had risen, and he took her hand. "Here," said Kay. She handed him a cup of tea. "Bob likes his strong and black as ink," she explained smilingly.

"Yes, I know," Priscilla assented, in a dry amusement. Bob sat down on the edge of his chair, precariously. "What you need, Bob, is a cocktail," Priscilla suggested. "You're low!"

He grinned. "Is that custom still prevalent?" he asked. Priscilla's brows rose in an amused grimace. "Have you acquired virtue?" she exclaimed. "And—do you find it in its own reward?"

"No virtue involved in this," he told her. "I'm doing so much work nowadays I never get a chance to let down."

"You ought to make the chance!" "I will, some day," he agreed. "A good old-fashioned wonder might help."

"Kay," he grinned at Kay. "Mean while, another cup of tea, Kay. I'll get a tea bag, anyway."

Priscilla looked at her watch. "Stephens should have come for me fifteen minutes ago," she said. "Was he outside when you came in?"

He shook his head. "No," he confessed. "If I'd seen your car, I'm afraid I'd have gone to the Clinic."

"Why?" she challenged. "Afraid of me?"

"Too tired for social amenities," he told her evasively. "Why don't you run Priscilla home, Bob, if her car doesn't come? I know she's in a hurry."

He looked at her, half-startled. "Oh, there's plenty of time," he protested. "I'm sure Stephens will be here soon."

But the car did not come, though Bob went twice and thrice to see. The waiting became awkward, and Priscilla suggested at last: "I'll walk! It's only a few blocks. He must have had a flat tyre."

Bob looked uncomfortable, and Kay said again: "You take her home, Bob! Dinner won't be ready for an hour, anyway."

"I hate making so much trouble," Priscilla insisted. "Stephens is so stupid."

Kay smiled at her mockingly. "Bob, you ought not to seem so reluctant," she warned him. "Run along!"

In the end, Bob surrendered; and when the thing was decided, he put on a surprising vivacity, laughed in a fashion strange to him of late. Priscilla bade Kay good-bye most graciously.

"You're sweet to let Bob take me home," she said. "When he's so tired, I'll send him right back to you."

"Why, there isn't the least hurry," Kay assured her. She closed the door behind them, heard their quick voices, their laughter as they descended to the street.

She was still standing there when presently she heard other steps returning, ascending the stairs; and her heart began to pound. It might

be Bob. But when she opened the door she saw Genevieve. And the other girl looked at Kay, and said with quick amusement: "Heavens, child, you look as though you'd seen a ghost. Am I so terrifying?"

"I thought you were Bob!" Kay confessed. Genevieve nodded, her eyes shrewd. "I saw him on the side-walk. With Priscilla."

"She called on me," Kay explained. "And her car didn't come for her, so Bob had to take her home."

The other seemed about to speak, then he let her tongue. She came, and Kay closed the door behind her. "I just dropped in to say howdy," Genevieve explained. "Haven't seen you in a week." She laid aside her coat, and Kay urged:

"Your hat, too, Genevieve. Stay." The girl went, and Kay, twining the tea things, and Genevieve demanded a cup. While they sat together, she watched Kay thoughtfully; and Kay saw her scrutiny and said a little breathlessly: "Bob will want to have a visit with you. He'll be here in five minutes or so."

But Bob did not come. Instead he telephoned, regretfully. "Kay," he said, "I've got to go to the hospital. An emergency. One of the nurses has an appendix. Don't wait dinner for me."

"Oh, Bob, I'm sorry," Kay told him. "I'll wait. I'll wait. I'll wait a little while, and give you time to eat." But before he could demur she mustered her resolution. "But of course not. I know you have to go. Genevieve's here with me. I'll try to keep her for dinner."

"I agree," Bob said. "Do that. Keep her till I come. I haven't seen Gen for a long time."

Kay, returning from the telephone, met Genevieve's eyes. She said, with a little laugh: "That's the way with doctors. You never know where they'll be. He has to go operate on a nurse."

Genevieve lighted a cigarette. "All right, I'll stay. I accept your invitation, child. We haven't had a good gal time together for months. If you could manage a cocktail, the scene would be complete in every detail."

"I'm sorry," Kay confessed. "We haven't anything in the house..." She sat abstractedly, her ears attuned to cheerful conversation. Till the older girl said at last:

"Kay, run out of it! Bob must have had hurry calls before."

And: "Of course," Kay agreed. "I know..." They were at dinner, Kay still and white, Genevieve ebulliently cheerful, when the telephone rang again. Kay was on her feet like a flash. "I'll take it, Anna," she told the maid, and darted into the hall. Genevieve, from where she sat, could hear her words.

"Hello?" "This is Mrs. Dakin..." "Oh! A breathless, interminable pause. Then:

"Wait a minute, please. I'll give you the number."

Genevieve heard the ruffling of paper, and then:

"Try Cabot 4993. If he isn't there, call me back. I may be able to locate him for you."

When Kay returned to the dining-room, Genevieve met her at the door, and Kay came desperately into her arms.

"It was the hospital, wanting Bob," she whispered. "There's an emergency, an embolus. The thing he's been training himself to do..."

Genevieve had a deep understanding. "Wait," she urged. "They'll call again in a minute, if they don't locate him."

"I gave them Priscilla's number," Kay confessed. "I know, child. I know. But wait..."

They waited five minutes, and then ten; but the telephone did not ring again. And suddenly Kay said in weary submission: "He was there!"

And her head dropped forward on her weeping arms where she sat at the table, and she wept terribly, and Genevieve came to her side.

"Please, please, Kay!" she begged. Kay looked up at her, with swimming, tormented eyes. "I can't help it," she sobbed. "Oh, Genevieve, Genevieve, I love him so!"

Genevieve, full of a deep sympathy and understanding, stayed with Kay till Bob came home. Kay after a little was composed again.

"It's really an awful joke on me!" she confessed. "Falling in love with

Bob! I've never seriously thought about the possibility. At first I just grabbed him because he was my last hope..." She hesitated, her eyes for a moment shadowed. "And I meant to hang on to him like a leech. But after I met his people, I was ashamed of myself, and I'd have let him go, if it hadn't been for Priscilla! I swore she should never have him!"

"But I never thought I might be in love with him. Till to-night!" She smiled in a wry fashion. "So the joke's on me, after all; and it's Priscilla's turn to laugh!"

And Genevieve could only say, angrily: "If Bob had any sense in him at all..." She was too wise to argue against the certain fact that Bob had stayed with Priscilla, instead of returning here, and that he had lied to Kay.

So they waited; and Kay, twining her fingers together, confessed: "I used to think that if Bob ever did get a chance to do this operation, I wanted to be there, and see him, and be proud. Maybe Priscilla went to the hospital with him. Do you suppose she did?"

But Genevieve laughed at that suggestion, wholly incredulous. And Kay wished to telephone the hospital to make sure they had found Bob, but Genevieve would not let her; and Kay wished to telephone some inquiry about the patient and the operation, but Genevieve was adamant. Kay did call Dr. Dakin to tell him what Bob was doing; but Children reported that Dr. Dakin was himself at the hospital, that Bob had summoned him, and Kay reported this to Genevieve, with a pain in her eyes and in her tonsils.

"He might have called me, too," she whispered; and she admitted: "I'm as worried as if I were the patient's wife, instead of the doctor's Genevieve. I want so much for Bob to do it, and have everything go well. Dr. Dakin will be so proud!"

And added humbly: "And will it?" After an hour or two, the Clinic telephoned to leave word for Bob that they had located Dr. Chandler, and that the other man would be on call to-night, so that Bob would be free. Kay took the message.

"I'll tell Dr. Dakin when he comes home," she promised; and she turned away from the telephone with her eyes shining.

"Bob's on his way home!" she cried. "He's finished it! He's on his way home!" And she explained: "That was the Clinic. He must have asked Dr. Chandler—that's his assistant—to be on call; and that means he wants to celebrate! She raced away to her room. "I must wait my eyes, be ready for him!" she cried.

But Bob did not come home; not in five minutes, nor ten, nor in half an hour. And Kay while she waited faded like a dying flame; and Genevieve suggested that Bob must have gone home with his father, and Kay bravely agreed that this must be the case. But after a while they could find no more words of comfort to say. It was more than an hour before they heard Bob's key in the door.

Kay went to meet him; and Genevieve caught up coat and hat and followed her. She saw Bob come in, radiant, triumphant, his eyes shining, and his tones full of the intoxication of success; and he cried:

"I did it, Kay! Did it, and got away with it!"

"I knew you would," Kay told him. "You were long enough about it. Genevieve projected in a good-natured wrath. "Kay here was on pins and needles all the time. I had to stay part my bedtime to keep her from fairly biting her nails. Good night, you two!"

Bob urged: "Wait a minute! I want an audience, Gen. I'm going to brag and blow."

"Kay will listen," Genevieve assured him. "To hear someone speaking of operations never did have any sex appeal for me." She said good night again, and departed; and Bob closed behind her, and hurried her into the living-room and told the tale, speaking rapidly, his words tumbling, his eyes bright.

"Just the thing I'd worked on," he assured her. An embolus on the middle in the left femoral, and the leg turned white, and cold. I got hold of Father, and Doctor Fabre, to watch."

He plunged into the technical aspects of the operation. "What a kick I got out of it, Kay!" he cried. "You've no notion! Father and the chief had their hands on the leg, under the sheet. They could feel it get warm when the blood began to flow again..."

He went over and over the same ground endlessly; and Kay listened, and smiled, giving him whole-hearted approval with no stint or reservation to mar his happiness.

He finished and said: "I've a notion to take a drink, to celebrate! Haven't we got something tucked away, Kay?"

"Not a drop," Kay confessed. "Not even in the medicine cabinet!" "I'll write a prescription and go down to the drug store," Bob declared. "It's not closed yet." He looked at Kay. "Disapprove, do you?" he asked narrowly.

"I think you deserved it," Kay assured him, and he heard the past tense and his cheek flamed slowly.

Bob has been drinking and Kay's words sound like an accusation. But Kay is under a strain wondering about Priscilla, especially now that she realizes her loss for Bob. Can she bring him to love her too? Be sure to read to-morrow's thrilling instalment.

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DEATH FOR DOPE-SMUGGLERS IN THE NORTH

In the old days it was opium. To-day heroin, almost unknown in China as recently as 1928, is one of the commonest drugs used by addicts.

Though the habit of heroin-taking has increased so rapidly, the most determined efforts are being made by the Chinese Government to put an end to the practice. These efforts consist of strong propaganda against drug-taking, the opening of more than 600 treatment centres for addicts up and down the country, and the most stringent laws against drug-smugglers, and addicts who relapse after being discharged from a treatment centre.

Death is often the penalty for smugglers and relapsed addicts—as it is also for farmers who grow the forbidden opium-poppy. This law is administered without respect of persons. A general who was found to be using one of his aeroplanes for drug-smuggling was led away immediately and shot.

The hospitals in Peiping alone admitted 5,500 patients in 10 months—of these only 60 were known later to have relapsed into drug-taking. Of the 60, 20 were finally set free, 30 were given terms of imprisonment, and 10 were simply beheaded.

The authorities reckon that Peiping alone still contains 40,000 drug addicts—more than a quarter of whom are coolies and manual labourers who take to the drug for relief from physical exhaustion.

Other countries cannot claim to have clean hands in respect of China's drug-problem. 20,000 drug-dealers operating in Peiping are Japanese subjects—and the Chinese say that they get no satisfaction from handing them over to the Japanese authorities. Many British vessels, they also state, are engaged in the drug-smuggling business.

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The smuggler is taken to one of the 600 centres recently opened for the treatment of drug addicts. Here he is branded on the arm. If he is caught a second time he will be shot. In 1934, 208 death sentences were carried out.

ARREST OF A HEROIN SMUGGLER



Chinese police arrest a heroin smuggler outside the railway station at Peiping. Peiping is said to contain 40,000 addicts, and the most determined efforts are being made to put down the drug traffic.



A branded man has been caught by the police. Though he knows he is going to death he has still enough curiosity to gaze at the photographer. Heroin, now becoming the commonest of drugs, is usually taken in cigarettes, pinches of it being pushed in among the tobacco.

HE WILL SMUGGLE NO MORE



No trial. No pronouncing of death sentence. No "benefit of clergy." A branded man has been found with drugs concealed about him. He is taken away into a field and shot. There is not even a firing squad... no need to waste bullets on a dope smuggler. Right, his turn next.

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